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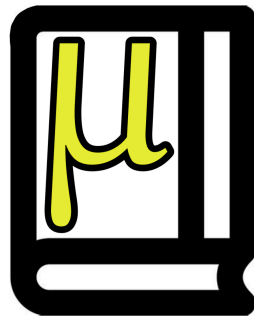
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“Micronationalism does not
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—— Bruno Cava, c. 2006

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Preface

“I had taken a great deal of interest in the jargon of the intermicronational community since as far back as March 2019, when I first attempted to compile such a dictionary while employed at the micronational company Statistic-Fire (now known as Statistic-Dime). However, it unfortunately fell short of what I had hoped to achieve, which I attribute to my then-elementary knowledge on the history of micronationalism. I abandoned the project by 7 April and instead recommended that the administration of MicroWiki, the largest micronational encyclopaedia and wiki, launch a sister project called MicroWikiDictionary. I hoped that this dictionary would be able to reach a greater audience under an already-established brand. They accepted, and the website launched. However, it never gathered an active community of contributors as I had hoped, and it peaked at only forty-three entries around 10 May 2020.

My keen interest in micronational parlance was revived in July 2022, during a time in which I began to take a greater deal of interest in intermicronational history. Due to this interest, which had befallen me around the start of the year, I developed better techniques for researching and documenting micronational history—a skill I lacked during my previous attempt at creating a dictionary of micronational slang. During one of my regular digital research sessions, I stumbled upon a webpage listing micronational terms run by the now-erstwhile Sovereign Principality of Corvinia entitled "A glossary of micronational terms"; this webpage, in development since January 2001, was publicly accessible and regularly updated between at least 20 April 2001 and 20 May 2003.

The listed words—some of which remain in use today like YAMO—both shocked and intrigued me. Prior to my discovery of this webpage, I had naïvely assumed that YAMO, the dismissive abbreviation for "yet another micronational organisation"—mocking the sheer number of intermicronational organisations that are constantly founded yet remain useless, unprofessional or very short-lived—had originated from the MicroWiki forums around the early 2010s.

Instead, this webpage claimed it was coined as early as 1998. Additionally, it listed several terms which I had until that point never seen. Realising the sheer amount of micronational words that were once prominent yet had now been completely forgotten made me realise that I had to collect, document and publicise these lost terms as well as the jargon used by micronationalists today—lest they be permanently forgotten.

Without hesitation, I eagerly collected hundreds of micronational terms, both past and present and from various sources, culminating in the publication of the first edition of this Micronational Dictionary on 18 October 2022, with 161 entries. Upon publication, I was immediately surprised that my (admittedly) obscure jargon dictionary brought forth a highly positive and intriguing response from casual to dedicated micronationalists, micropatriologists and two prolific non-micronational scholars. Many were surprised that there was even enough micronational slang out there to justify an entire dictionary for it.

*This positive reception, as well as the both encouraging and critical e-mails I received, not only motivated but enabled me to publish a fully-revised second edition on 14 May 2023 with fifty new entries (marking 211), numerous expanded etymologies and several new sections. Throughout the second edition's development, I received eager support from the citizens of the Empire of Lehmark (where I held citizenship at the time), particularly from Emperor William Lehman and the head of the Department of Education, Anni Crowhurst, to whom I reported. His Majesty kindly exchanged on my behalf my research with macronational micropatriologist Harry Hobbs, co-author of *Micronations* and the *Search for Sovereignty* (2021) and later *How to Rule Your Own Country: The Weird and Wonderful World of Micronations* (2022).*

In July 2023, Karl "Luxor" Friedrich—a co-owner of MicroWiki and incidentally the creator of MicroWikiDictionary—approached me with the idea of producing physical copies of the third edition of the dictionary (like I had done for the first edition) for the upcoming MicroCon 2023 conference in Ypres, Belgium, which Friedrich would be attending alongside mononymous MicroWiki administrator Andrew. I eagerly accepted, working overtime—with the addition of 95 new entries for a total of 306—to finalise the printing of the physical third edition on 4 August which was unveiled at the convention held between 11–13 August.

There was quite the sizeable interest for it, including from Kevin Baugh of the Republic of Molossia and Randy Williams of the Republic of Slowjamastan. The dictionary's appearance at MicroCon also received positive and curious attention online. The cover, based on the International Typographic Style design aesthetic popular between the 1930s and 1950s, was designed by Friedrich.

The fourth edition, published on 4 January 2024, had 402 entries and included even more expanded and updated etymologies, new entry formatting and the introduction of an author page and the special seven-page long chapter on the etymology of micronation.

It was the first edition to reach over 25,000 words (or, more than 150,000 characters), and reached its widest audience yet with as many as over 170 verified individual readers. This fourth edition was universally acclaimed, receiving only minor (albeit warranted) criticism for the chosen definition of micronation and some formatting inconsistencies.

Pio Lowe of the New Rubix Republic graciously designed the cover, which he based marginally on 1950s and 1960s graphic design aesthetic. He printed copies of the dictionary in Taiwan, and also presented a copy of the earlier third edition at the Taiwanese Micronational Alliance's Winter Summit held in the Zhongzheng District of the city of Taipei in Taiwan on 29 January 2024, where it was also received favourably.

And now, after a combined 517 hours of research, writing and editing, I proudly present to you, the reader, the fifth edition of the much-beloved Micronational Dictionary. With 164 new entries, improved definitions, revised formatting and the most accurate and expanded etymologies yet, I truly believe that this edition will in no doubt suffice as yet another improved and credible edition to the much-beloved—albeit niche—series.”

*— Zabëlle Skye, 16 November 2023, Rome (fourth edition)
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Introduction

Slang (also called *jargon* and *parlance*) refers to the words, terms and expressions that are specific to a certain group, activity or profession. Since the mid-1990s, a distinct vocabulary of micronational slang has developed alongside the growth of the micronational community. As with any social group, the slang used by those involved in the intermicronational community plays a crucial role in fostering a sense of shared identity among the community's members—despite their significant differences. A kind of microdialect, the micronational vocabulary consists of a unique set of words, including specific (often technical) terms that exist to describe things and phenomena exclusive to micronationalism. Other pre-existing words have been adapted or had their senses altered to fit that of the micronational point of view, allowing micronationalists to better express themselves in ways that will resonate with fellow members of the community through their shared experiences with micronationalism.

Micronational jargon is a representation of the culture, values and experiences that define the micronational community, reflecting the nuances of micronational governance, diplomacy and identity. The creation and adoption of this vocabulary, whether deliberate or subconscious, signifies the seriousness and legitimacy with which micronationalists approach the community and their endeavours. Many terms form completely naturally—some over several years with influence and input from numerous different sectors, intermicronational events and general changes in attitudes. Some micronational terms have survived for decades but had their meanings gradually shifted, while others remain unchanged. Other words have started to be regarded as outdated or become obsolete, lost or forgotten. In fact, documenting and studying micronational slang, their meanings and origins over the years, unlocks another medium for studying and preserving micronational history.

As such, recording dated and obsolete jargon is vital, not only for micropatriologists or micronational historians, but for all those who seek it. Knowledge of this historical jargon allows anyone insight into the evolution of the micronational community; the cultural, social contexts and sectors within which such words were once used. By both preserving and studying this obsolete jargon, one may gain a deeper understanding of the intermicronational past and the richness of linguistic diversity between sectors—both former and current. As micronational slang is not actively documented elsewhere, it makes the *Micronational Dictionary* and the full etymologies it provides an invaluable resource for this purpose. But the dictionary's usefulness is not exclusive to researchers.

Anyone, micronationalist or not, may rely on this work as a detailed and convenient reference guide to the jargon used by micronationalists, with accurate, up-to-date and carefully explained definitions complete with explanatory notes to inform and aid the reader in choosing their word usage when referencing—or engaging in—micronationalism. The uninterrupted alphabetical listing of entries allows anyone the ability to easily look up any unfamiliar micronational slang which they may encounter. And, as entries are appropriately marked by whether they are common in a particular sector, uncommon, rare, derogatory, endearing, dated or obsolete (amongst other labels), non-micronationalists, newer micronationalists and even seasoned micronationalists can both learn what jargon means and how or when to use it.

In being not only an authoritative source—but a credible reference work—this dictionary is written by a passionate author and etymologist, with several years of education and experience in the fields of Internet research, sociology, linguistics, micronationalism, micropatriology, literature and the English language. In this greatly expanded fifth edition, which records terms dating as far back as 1933, there are 566 entries in total, up from a total of 402 in the previous edition. Additionally, over 170 of the original entries have been updated, improved or otherwise modified to incorporate new discoveries and revelations made since the publication of the fourth edition.

As with all previous editions, every entry has once again been individually researched in preparation for this much-improved fifth edition to ensure that no prior details were omitted. Using the Internet, research for jargon was conducted via various different methods, including web searches, digitalised newspaper archives, web archives and privately-archived content, online repositories and databases, digitalised book services, newsletters, e-mails, metadata, file hosting services and several private digital libraries. Numerous micronationalists were also interviewed where relevant, many of whom kindly provided physical documents to the author of this dictionary.

The individual micronational corpus utilised by the author of this work, entitled *m-corpus*, which has been constructed and collected over a period of several years and permanently preserved through various archival methods (including the official Micronational Library), contains 3,046,582 individual quotations—excluding non-micronational sources such as social media, which hypothetically expands the available dataset into the billions.

Due to popular demand for the dictionary to continually receive updates, a sixth edition is planned to be released around 2027 under the author's current schedule.

It is also worth noting that, due to the sheer number of micronational terms and diversity of the micronational community, not every person who is a micronationalist will necessarily use, or even be aware of, every single word that is associated with micronationalism.

For instance, *LOL* (which signifies laughter) and *r* (meaning 'are') are popularly associated with online writing, whether through SMS or social media posts, and referred to as examples of 'Internet slang' (although they are also used in private text messaging, which is not technically part of the Internet). However, not everyone who uses the Internet necessarily uses these terms: people can selectively use one but not the other, or neither. People do this for various reasons, including not liking how certain terms sound, wishing to avoid slang words so that more people can understand them, not knowing what the term means, or even not having heard of the word in the first place.

Words naturally fall out of fashion, and due to the age of the Internet, different words were popular at different times. Text abbreviations like *r* (are), *u* (you), *k* (okay) and *y* (why) initially arose in the early 2000s when cell phones were first released and had small screens and keyboards. To make typing faster, many people started abbreviating common words for convenience, such as the aforementioned. When smartphones with larger screens and autocomplete functionality were commercially released after about 2007, many people stopped doing this; however, many of those who did initially abbreviate common words were so used to doing so that they kept using these abbreviated forms even after they fell out of fashion.

Additionally, with billions of users, the Internet naturally has countless subcommunities that use their own variations of what might be described as 'Internet slang', so it is impossible for a person to recognise—let alone use—each one. For example, a large community with their own jargon exists on the live-streaming video service Twitch; their variety of the English language is called 'Twitch-speak'. Words that are almost exclusive to Twitch-speak include *clip farm* (of a live streamer, to overreact or exploit a situation for online attention, such as in the hopes of going viral), *omegalul* (to laugh out loud; *LOL*, *haha*, *LMAO*) and *react Andy* (a user who live streams themselves reacting to other people's content while providing little to no input or transformative feedback on the content itself).

Unless a person is part of the Twitch community, knowledgeable on it or knows someone who is, the aforementioned words will be incomprehensible to them. The micronational community, while much smaller, is the same as the aforementioned two points: it has existed for decades and has numerous subcommunities and subcultures that have their own unique words specific to just their in-groups.

While there are many terms likely to be understood in up to three or more—or potentially most—separate micronational subcommunities, there are also words specific to certain groups within the micronational community itself. Some examples of essentially universal words to micronationalists are *macronation* (a sovereign state or country), *sector* (a community or subculture within the wider intermicronational community) and *YAMO* (yet another micronational organisation: a general insult for any intermicronational organisation perceived as undesirable, useless or otherwise bad).

There are also several terms specific to a certain community within the wider micronational community. For instance, in the so-called MicroWiki sector which is based around the online MicroWiki encyclopaedia and wiki, some examples of words used only by them are *hahu* (an expression of agreement or approval to what has been said), *Lethler* (a secretive, make-believe threat; the micronational bogeyman or an all-controlling illuminati-like organisation or representative) and *MicroProject* (a group or organisation of editors devoted to the management and editing of pages related to a specific subject on the wiki).

Because of this, words which are specific to just one or two communities are marked in the dictionary as such in order to be more informative to readers. Words that are present in three or more communities are not marked as they are then considered 'universal' enough to be understood by most micronationalists. However, exceptions may be made in rare instances for words that are very hard to understand without prior knowledge—whether overtly 'jargony' or technical—in other sectors.

Inclusion criteria

This dictionary includes the words, abbreviations, suffixes, prefixes, symbols (pictograms), phrases and certain proper nouns—such as significant intermicronational events, notable non-geographic sectors, generations and exceptionally popular or historically-significant websites—that are specific to the parlance of the English-language micronational community. For reasons of brevity, the *Micronational Dictionary* does not include any micronational demonyms (i.e. Sealandic, Molossian), micronational monetary units, geographic or linguistic sectors, the names of constructed languages, inside jokes or memes, individual micronations, people or intermicronational organisations.

For a word to be included in this dictionary, it must fulfil at least one of the following criteria: (1) have entered common usage in a sizeable micronational sector for a minimum of six months—whether presently or historically in such usage; (2) be a lexeme of a word that satisfies the first criteria that has appeared in at least one major academic work; (3) be an important neologism or protologism proposed by a micropatriologist or micronational institute for a previously unnamed but common micronational concept or phenomenon; or (4), if never widely used, be a historically significant or noteworthy word such as the earliest name for a concept or predecessor to a later commonly-used term.

The inclusion of neologisms and protologisms (that is, words which are recently coined and have not yet entered general use) is always labelled as such. Their inclusion in this dictionary is justified in the hopes that they may be more widely adopted in micronational jargon, as many of these newly-coined words are useful for describing prominent concepts, observations or other phenomena within micronationalism that may not have been previously named. They are also included to avoid micropatriologists erroneously coining words for concepts that may already be designated. Exceptions to above criteria may be made on a case-by-case basis for certain, particularly exceptional entries; this goes for both including and excluding entries.

As previously mentioned, the exclusion of micronational demonyms, monetary units, the names of constructed languages and geographic or linguistic sectors is for the sake of brevity; listing every micronational demonym and monetary unit would be impractical and overwhelming, inadvertently turning the *Micronational Dictionary* into a micronation directory. Though there may only be a handful of noteworthy constructed languages, including them would too take up a large part of this dictionary, ultimately proving unhelpful to the majority of readers.

Geographic or linguistic sectors (e.g. the Taiwanese sector, New England sector, Anglophone sector) may be endlessly expanded by combining any country, language, administrative division or other locality's name and affixing it with *sector*. Online sectors, such as those based around a website or social media service, are allowed simply because there are a lesser number of them.

In-jokes and memes—especially those within a subsector—are excluded for often being too niche or short-lived to prove useful to any reader of this dictionary. Certain exceptions may be made for sector-wide in-jokes that many micronationalists are likely to understand. Proper nouns that are micronations, intermicronational organisations and most other micronational institutions are also not included because there are enormous amounts of all three: as such, they are simply not appropriate for this dictionary. Certain proper nouns are only included on a case-by-case basis if they are websites, intermicronational events, generations of micronationalism or of micronationalists, intermicronational conventions or non-micronation locations which are regarded as highly important, noteworthy or otherwise relevant to micronationalism, such as Bir Tawil.

It is also worth mentioning that the inclusion of derogatory terms is carefully considered; whether they are actually noteworthy or add anything meaningful to this dictionary. However, the *Micronational Dictionary* is not censored, and the inclusion of such entries—the nature of which is always noted when listed—will help readers, especially non-micronationalist academics, to make informed decisions regarding their wording and language used towards, and regarding, micronationalism and the micronational community. If they were not listed, people may not realise that such words were in fact derogatory or offensive towards certain (or all) groups of micronationalists.

As mentioned repeatedly above, exceptions to any of the aforementioned criteria may be applied on a case-by-case basis for particularly exceptional entries. However, this is very rare, and always carefully considered with regard to the criteria and the term in question's worth and merit for being included in this work. The *Micronational Dictionary* is a professional dictionary for micronational jargon that is likely to aid our readers with micronational vocabulary, research or simply idle curiosity; if such an informative word cannot be listed simply because of the criteria, then an exception must be made. Exceptions are, however, never made for reasons of personal gain—such as the coiner of a word lobbying for their entry to be listed here. The *Micronational Dictionary* guarantees integrity.

A final note: as the fifth edition of this dictionary, some entries in prior editions may have been removed where seen fit—in retrospect to the above criteria.

How to use this dictionary

Entries in the *Micronational Dictionary* are listed alphabetically as such:

entry (hyphenation pronunciation guide) *part of speech as represented by an abbreviation* — **notes on the nature of said entry** Definition. [Year of coinage or emergence, coiner or user first attested, place of coinage; any additional notes on etymology; formation; related terms or referrals to other entries]

The abbreviations for the parts of speech are given in the following page. Here are three examples of actual entries in this dictionary:

anti-micronation (an·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn) *adj.* — **uncommon** Opposed to, or disapproving of, micronations or micronationalism; in support of antimicronationalism. [First attested 15 July 2005, Wikipedia; *anti-* ("against") + *micronation*.]

microkingdom (mai·krow·king·dm) *n.* — **informal, rare** A micronation that has a king or queen (monarch) as its head of state, government, or both; a micronational kingdom. [First attested 7 April 2001, micro-nations.org; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *kingdom*.]

sector (sek·tr) *n.* — A grouping of micronations which share a common bond, be that geographical, political, linguistic, historical, locational or ancestral ties; a micronational community or subculture within the wider intermicronational community. [First attested 30 October 2000, *The Apollo Consensus*; back-formation from *Apollo Sector* ("the erstwhile community of geofictional micronations and micronationalists who originally engaged in interactive geofiction via the online Apolyton Civilization Site forums, and some subsequent micronations and micronationalists associated with them"); ultimately from *sector* ("a designated area or section; a zone"), but for further etymology see *Apollo Sector*.]

If an entry has multiple definitions (called *senses*), then the individual informations for each definition will be shown separately as follows:

MicroWiki (mai·krow·wi·kee) — 1. *pn. trademark* An online encyclopaedia and wiki founded on 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, dedicated to documenting all aspects of micronationalism; the largest micronational wiki and most-visited intermicronational website. 2. *pn. metonym* The MicroWiki sector. 3. *n. informal* A page on MicroWiki. 4. *n. especially in the plural* A version of MicroWiki in a particular language. 5. *pn. obsolete* A generic name for a micronational wiki. 6. *n. MicroWiki sector, uncommon* The users or editors of MicroWiki or one of its associated platforms, such as its Discord server, considered collectively; MicroWiki's userbase, MicroWikians. 7. *pn. metonym, Discord sector, uncommon* MicroWiki's official Discord server: the former MicroWiki@Discord or current MicroWiki Community. 8. *pn. metonym, proscribed, rare* The MicroWiki Foundation: the company that owns MicroWiki. 9. **historical, obsolete** Official name for MicroWikia, a former rival website to MicroWiki, between 14 April 2012 and 31 October 2018; now called MicroNations Fandom. [1. Coined 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *wiki* ("a collaborative website that can be edited by Internet users"); Schneider was unaware of the prior micronational wiki bearing this name, *MicroWiki.tk*, founded by 2 August 2004; for further etymology see the etymological notes for the fifth sense; 2. first attested 6 May 2010 by Brian Barry, Micras forums; metonym from the first sense; 3. first attested 14 December 2010 by Monty Karl, Micras forums; from the first sense; 4. first attested 11 December 2009 by Gordon Freeman (then known as Philip Fish), MicroWiki; from the first sense; 5. coined by Sander Dieleman; first attested before 2 August 2004, MicroWiki.tk; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *wiki*; 6. first attested 22 March 2011 by James von Puchow, MicroWiki; 7. first attested 1 December 2018, MicroWiki@Discord; either a metonym from the first sense, or a clipping of *MicroWiki@Discord*; 8. first attested 29 August 2019 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; metonym from the first sense; 9. coined 14 April 2012 by Harry Fitzpatrick; from the first sense.]

The senses are spaced-out for improved readability, while the additional information (such as the etymology) are more condensed as this is likely to be less important to readers. In the case where the part of speech is the same for all definitions, it will instead be given after the pronunciation guide like this:

mini-nation (mi·nee·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. **informal, jocular or endearing, chiefly journalistic** A micronation. 2. **rare** Shortening of *independent mini-nation*. [1. Coined 2 March 1972 by Robert Trumbull, *The New York Times*; *mini-* (short for *miniature* "small") + *nation* (synonym for "country"); literally "miniature country"; 2. coined 1 November 1997 by Jennifer Robertson, writing for *Theory, Culture & Society* (vol. 14, issue 4).]

The same can be done for senses with different parts of speech. The usage of abbreviations is due to brevity and to avoid the redundancy of repeating the same words; a list of abbreviations to help the reader is given below. In the etymology section, words with a hyphen-minus at the end (as in *micro-*) are prefixes, while those with a hyphen-minus at the start (as in *-ally*) are suffixes. The plus symbol (+) denotes how a word was formed, for example: *micro-* + *wiki* for *MicroWiki*, or *macronation* + *-al* for *macronational*.

The pronunciation guide is given in Southern England English, though native speakers of the English language should be able to easily comprehend and adapt it accordingly to the accent of one's preferred (i.e. native) dialect of English. The choice of hyphenation over the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) is due to convenience for readers. Instead of dividing by syllables, the hyphenations are spelled out with the exact sounds a letter makes so that it leaves no room for ambiguity or confusion over an exact pronunciation. This is so that it may be understood with little knowledge of the English lexicon.

Here is an example:

micronational (mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl)

As *micro* could theoretically be pronounced in several different ways—such as *mik·row* or *mai·kroo*—the pronunciation guide is given as follows:

mi	mai
cro	krow
na	nay
tion	shn
al	uhl

The sound that a certain combination of letters produces remains consistent throughout this dictionary for this very reason.

Abbreviations and parts of speech

Noun	<i>n.</i>
Adjective	<i>adj.</i>
Adverb	<i>adv.</i>
Verb	<i>vb.</i>
Proper noun	<i>pn.</i>
Prefix	<i>pref.</i>
Suffix	<i>suf.</i>
Interjection	<i>interj.</i>
Symbol	<i>s.</i>

All of the above are parts of speech. A part of speech is a category of words that share a similar grammatical function in a sentence. To elaborate further:

A **noun** is a word or term that functions as the name or designation of an animal, person, non-specific place, thing (object), quality or idea. It is generally regarded as the most basic part of speech in English. For example: *tree*, *city* and *wedding* are nouns. An **adjective** is a word that modifies a noun or describes a noun's referent; in other words, it denotes a quality or attribute in order to describe a noun more fully. Examples: *warm*, *amazing*, *tall*.

An **adverb** is a word that modifies a verb, adjective or other adverbs; it expresses a manner, time or degree. Examples: *quickly*, *often*, *silently*. A **verb** is a word that describes an action, event, occurrence or state of being. Examples: *run*, *talk*, *be*. A **proper noun** is a word that denotes a particular, individual entity, such as a person, place, organisation, event or thing. Examples: *Paris*, *Bible*, *United Nations*.

A **prefix** is a morpheme ("separate, linguistic unit") added to the beginning of a word in order to change its meaning. Example: *re-* + *do*, meaning "to do again". A **suffix**, like a prefix, is a morpheme that changes a word's meaning, only it is added at the end of a word. Example: *aim* + *-less*, meaning "without an aim". An **interjection** is a separate exclamation or a filled pause; a word that has no particular grammatical relation to a sentence. Usually, it is an expression of some sort of emotion. Examples: *ah*, *oh*, *umm*.

A **symbol** is a character or glyph that represents (symbolises) an idea or concept. Examples: the recycling symbol; an exclamation mark; an arrow.

Glossary

Circa c.	From Latin, signifies approximately.
First attested	The earliest mention of a word that has been found.
Coined	The invention of a new word or phrase.
Uncommon	Not in common usage.
Rare	Stronger than <i>uncommon</i> ; a word that is seldom (rarely) used.
Dated	A word that was once in common usage, but is no longer such.
Obsolete	Stronger than <i>dated</i> ; a word that is no longer used and unlikely to be understood.
Derogatory	A word expressing negative or belittling attitude towards the thing that is being referred to; an insult.
Offensive	A word that, despite this not being its intention, may be considered as derogatory by a certain group of people.
Neologism	A recent term or word that is in the process of being accepted into the mainstream.
Protologism	A word coined by an individual that has not yet been published independently of the coiner.
Informal	A word that is irregular and used casually.
Non-standard	An irregular word or term that is used as a synonym for an already formally-established word.
Formal	A word that is highly proper, official or elongated, and used in non-casual contexts.
Academic	A word which is highly formal and used only in academia or by academics.
Jocular	A word which is used humorously, ironically or for comedic effect.
Journalistic	Used only in journalism concerning micronationalism, such as a playful buzzword.
Metonym	A figure of speech in which a concept is referred to by the name of something closely associated with that thing or concept.
Toponym	Specifically, a place name.
Event	An occurrence, such as a historic micronational event (not one which was, or is, organised).
Trademark	A name that represents a company or service.
Cesidian	A word coined and used by micronationalist and micropatriologist Cesidio Tallini, especially one that is not popular outside of his usage.
Tone indicator	A symbol attached to a sentence or message sent in textual form to explicitly state the intent of how a message is meant to be perceived, especially when it may be ambiguous.
x sector	Denotes the community or platform wherein said word is most frequently (or exclusively) used. x is used here as a placeholder; e.g. <i>Twitter sector</i> refers to the community of micronationalists on said social media platform.

Pronunciation guide

a / ah act; arm; flat

ai eye; sigh; hi

b burn; cabin; **bridge**

ch challenge; choose; breach

d dance; bed; don't

e edge; set; end

f fill; fresh; differ

g gap; beg; figure

h have; heaven; behave

i bit; it; his

j job; jeans; jungle

k kite; bark; back

l leave; deliberate; meal

m am; movie; mum

n night; none; enforcement

ng sing; bang; king

o orange; acorn; food

oi noise; joy; royal

p dopamine; place; parrot

r radical; race; apron

s see; some; set

t teen; about; table

th thanks; health; thought

u union; unity; user

uh push; umbrella; front

v beaver; vine; give

w why; well; wet

y yawn; yes; buyer

z zoo; buzz; zero

THE DICTIONARY

#micronations to 24 Hour Quorum

#micronations (hash·tag·mai·krow·nay·shns) *interj.* — **Twitter sector A** hashtag (metadata tag utilised on social networking services) used to categorise or denote content, such as posts, that are related to micronationalism. [First attested 25 May 2009 by @StephenJAHill, Twitter; from # ("on the Internet, a metadata classification tag used to label and search content; particularly applicable in social media networking and microblogging") + *micronations*.]

(((joke))) (jowk) *s.* — **tone indicator, MicroWiki sector, obsolete** Denotes that the preceding statement is sarcastic or intended to be seen as a joke. [Coined 29 August 2019 by Janus Adonis Greyling, Grand Unified Micronational Discord server; from *(joke)* with extra parentheses added for comedic effect, but avoiding three due to it being an antisemitic symbol.]

.mn (dot·em·en) *s.* — **rare** On the Internet, the country code top-level domain for Mongolia which is sometimes used as a domain hack to represent *MN* as an abbreviation for *micronation*; in other words, an Internet domain used to denote websites related, or pertaining to, micronationalism. [First attested 12 July 2003, Talk Micronations (micronations.net); reinterpretation of *.mn*, the website domain for the macronation of Mongolia (as stipulated in October 1984 by the Information Sciences Institute), from the macronation's two-letter country code as designated by the International Organization for Standardization in 1974; see also *MN*.]

.org.uk (dot·org·dot·yoo·kay) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, originally used on MicroWikia, metonym, uncommon** The period of MicroWiki community history that occurred between late November 2010 and 7 November 2013, including its micronationalists, culture, events, the MicroWiki administration and its community values. [First attested 1 May 2012 by Alvin Thomas, MicroWikia; from the wiki's domain name between 2 December 2010 and 7 November 2013, *MicroWiki.org.uk*.]

/m (slash·em) *s.* — **tone indicator, obsolete** Denotes that the preceding statement is related to micronationalism. [First attested 1 April 2022, r/micronations (Reddit); based on pseudo-XML markup language code, by analogy with earlier tone indicators such as /s ("denoting sarcasm"); thus, analysable as the hypothetical shortening of *</micronational>*.]

24 Hour Quorum (twen·tee·for·au·uh·quo·rum) *pn.* — A twenty-four hour long session (Quorum) held by the Grand Unified Micronational, consisting of delegates and often guests (non-delegates) who converse over intermicronational and macronational affairs; these special sessions typically include the donating of money to charity. [Coined 14 August 2012 by Tom Turner, Skype; from *Quorum* ("an assembly session of the Grand Unified Micronational"), and named for its unusual length of 24 hours.]

24HQ to μ

24HQ (twen·tee·for·aych·kyoo) *pn.* — **Grand Unified Micronational jargon, uncommon** Abbreviation for *24 Hour Quorum*. [First attested 26 December 2018 by Adam I of Adammia, Grand Unified Micronational Discord server.]


5th World—see Fifth World.

6th World—see Sixth World.

7th World—see Seventh World.

-@D (att·dee) *suf.* — Clipping of *@Discord*. [First attested 10 June 2020 in *MW@D* ("abbreviation for MicroWiki@Discord"), MicroWiki@Discord.]

-@Discord (att·di·skord) *suf.* — **Discord and MicroWiki sectors** Applied to the name of a micronational server on the instant messaging social media platform Discord. [Earliest attested date uncertain; back-formation from *MicroWiki@Discord* ("a major Discord server of the MicroWiki sector that existed between 17 September 2018 and 29 January 2022"), coined 17 September 2018 by Anthony Clark as a pun for sounding like "at [as in on] Discord".]

 (glowb) *s.* — 1. **chiefly MicroWiki and Twitter sectors, obsolete** An emoji representing MicroWiki; the MicroWiki emoji. 2. **design, now rare** Synonym for μ ("represents micronationalism"). [1. First attested 5 June 2019 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; from the emoji's resemblance to the former logo of MicroWiki between 23 March 2017 and 21 May 2022; 2. first attested in micronationalism on 20 November 1996 as the logo of the League of Secessionist States, designed by Pedro Aguiar: a three-dimensional, light sky blue circle with eight lines placed evenly around the inside of the circle that intersect in the centre, creating a simplified stylistic globe, likely meant to represent the existence of micronations around the world; perhaps inspired by the emblem of the macronational United Nations which contains a similar circle of meridians above a flat projection of the Earth, adopted 7 December 1946.]

μ (mai·krow) *s.* — 1. **uncommon** Represents micronationalism. 2. **dated, rare** Stylised alternative form of *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational"). 3. **rare** A generic symbol for a micronational currency. [1. First attested 28 May 2007 in *μN* ("proposed logo for micronationalism"), Wikipedia; 2. first attested 3 September 2005 in *μwiki*, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; 3. first attested before 1 September 2000, Flying Islands of Jasonia (GeoCities); etymology uncertain; the first two senses, however, are puns from μ, the symbol for the unit prefix *micro-* ("one millionth"), formally adopted 1960 by the International System of Units; the first letter taken from Greek μικρός *mikrós* ("small").]

μnation to alt.politics.micronations

μnation (mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, very rare** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 18 August 2022, MicroWiki; *μ* ("micro-") + *nation*, modelled after *micronation*.]

μwiki (mai·krow·wi·kee) *pn.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *MicroWiki*. [First attested 3 September 2005, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *μ* ("micro-") + *wiki*, modelled after *MicroWiki*.]

Academic Era (a·kuh·deh·muhk·eer·uh) *pn.* — **micropatriology, neologism** An era of micronationalism by micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye that occurred between 1973 and 1979, categorised by the final conceptualisation of modern micronationalism, the coinage of the word *micronation*, and the operations of the International Micropatrolological Society. Follows the Seasteading Era (1964–1972) and is followed by the Emergent Era (1980–1995). [Coined 21 May 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; so-called for the *academic* and media attention given to micronational entities during this period.]

active (ak·tuhv) *adj.* — The state in which a micronation or intermicronational organisation is presently performing actions. [Applied to micronations as early as 1984 by Erwin S. Strauss, *How to Start Your Own Country* (second edition; page 89); from *active* ("in operation; working; functional"); see also *inactive* and *dormant*.]

activity (ak·ti·vuh·tee) *n.* — 1. A measure of a micronation or intermicronational organisation's activeness by whether or not they are presently performing actions; rendered as active if performing actions or inactive if not performing actions. 2. Of a micronation or micronationalist, the state or quality of being active. [1. First attested 9 August 1999 by Lars Erik, Usenet; 2. first applied to micronations as early as 1984 by Erwin S. Strauss, *How to Start Your Own Country* (second edition; page 57); both senses from *activity* ("activeness").]

actual country (ak·choo·uhl·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **informal, possibly mildly**

offensive Synonym for *real country* ("a macronation"). [First attested 13 March 2004, Wikipedia; insinuating that micronations are not truly (actual) countries.]

alt.politics.micronations (alt·po·luh·tuhks·mai·krow·nay·shns) *pn.* — **internet, historical, now rare** An unmoderated newsgroup (discussion forum) dedicated to micronationalism on the discussion system Usenet, created on 15 June 1997 but seldom utilised after 2008, with over 1,000 posts. [Coined 26 May 1997 by Pedro Aguiar; *alt.politics* ("a Usenet newsgroup dedicated to political discussions") + *micronations*, thereby making this newsgroup a sub-forum (subclass) of the alt.politics newsgroup; ultimately from *alt.** ("a Usenet hierarchy").]

alternative government to antimicronationalism

alternative government (a-al·tur·nuh·tuhv·guh·vr·muhnt) *n.* — 1. **rare** A form of micronationalism in which a micronation pertains to be an authority over a claimed area but does not claim to be the only or sole authority; in other words, the micronation extends some form of recognition to its parent macronation. 2. **very rare** A political entity or community that claims to be the sole authority over an area (as opposed to explicitly claiming to be a sovereign state) while still being regarded as a micronation by external observers. [1. First attested before 8 November 2013, MicroWiki; from the second sense; 2. coined 2013 by Harshvardhan Rawlot, MicroWikia; derived from the macronational *alternative government* ("a rival government which attempts to take control of a region (like a macronation) and replace that region's current government").]

Amino sector (uh·mee·noh·sek·tr) *pn.* — **neologism, rare** A seldom active sector isolate based around the social media application Amino. [Coined 2 October 2022 by Zabëlle Skye; *Amino* + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

animal micronation (ah·nuh·muhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **now rare** A micronation that is partly or entirely run by animals, who hold citizenship, run in elections, and ostensibly make sentiment decisions in said micronation. [First attested by 17 March 2003, Republic of Pelicans (GeoCities).]

anti-micronation (an·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn) *adj.* — **uncommon** Opposed to, or disapproving of, micronations or micronationalism; in support of antimicronationalism. [First attested 15 July 2005, Wikipedia; *anti-* ("against") + *micronation*.]

anti-micronational (an·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to, anti-micronationalism; being opposed to, or against, micronations or micronationalism. [First attested 17 November 2004, Wikipedia; *anti-* ("against") + *micronational*.]

antimicronationalism / **anti-micronationalism** (an·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·r·zm) *n.* — **neologism** An ideology in opposition to micronationalism. [Coined 28 May 2022 by Calgary Kane, MicroWiki; either *anti-* ("against") + *micronationalism* or *anti-micronational* ("being opposed to, or against, micronations or micronationalism") + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

antimicronationalist to astenation

antimicronationalist (an·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) — **neologism** 1. *adj.*

Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for antimicronationalism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, antimicronationalism. [Both senses coined 10 July 2022 by Levis Andy; 1. *antimicronationalism* + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. *antimicronationalism* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

Apollo (uh·pol·oh) *n.* — **obsolete** Of, denoting, or pertaining to, the Apollo Sector. [First attested 1 November 2000 in *Union of Apollo States*; clipping of *Apollo Sector*.]

Apollo Sector (uh·pol·oh·sek·tr) *pn.* — **historical, now rare** The erstwhile community (sector) of geofictional micronations and micronationalists who originally engaged in interactive geofiction via the online Apolyton Civilization Site forums, and some subsequent micronations and micronationalists associated with them. [First attested 7 July 2000, The Apollo Confederacy; from *Apolyton Sector*, cited as being coined c.28 December 1999 but first attested 22 May 2000, Audentior Independent Nation forums; *Apolyton* ("the Apolyton Civilization Site forums, launched September 1998") + *sector* ("a designated area or section; a zone"); formally renamed after being requested to do so by the administration of the Apolyton Civilization Site in order to avoid trademark issues.]

Arstotzka (ar·stuht·zka) *pn.* — The most common non-macronational name for a micronation, taken from the eponymous fictional Eastern (Soviet) Bloc country in the 2013 simulation video game *Papers, Please*. [Conceptualised by developer Lucas Pope as a place-name that sounds vaguely Russian.]

art nation (art·nay·shn) *n.* — **rare** A simulationist micronational entity that prioritises artistic expression, creativity and cultural exploration as opposed to traditional political or secessionist goals; a micronation that exists as an artistic endeavour. [First attested 16 May 2006, Micro-Nations.com.]

astenation (a·stee·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. **generally derogatory, obsolete** A jocular micronation. 2. **derogatory, obsolete** An unprofessional micronation, especially one which operates solely online; a cyber micronation. [Both senses coined 13 January 2023 by the government of Quinta Los Naranjos, Twitter; Ancient Greek *asteîon* ἀστεῖον ("joke") + *micronation*; literally "joke nation".]

attonation to Big Three

attonation (ah·toh·nay·shn) *n.* — **jocular, very rare** A hypothetical femtonation located within another femtonation ("a hypothetical piconation located within a piconation"); that is, a micronation in a micronation (femtonation) in a micronation (piconation) in a micronation (nanonation) in a micronation in a macronation. [First attested 10 November 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; *atto-* (unit prefix for "one quintillionth") + *micronation*, by analogy with terms like *piconation*, *nanonation*, etc.]

B (bee) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronational classification issued by the erstwhile International Micropatrological Society for micronations deemed by the society as "bogus" due to having unrealistic or unachievable goals and aspirations. [First attested 28 March 1976, *The New York Times*, though the Micropatrological Society was founded in 1973; see also *E* ("extinct"), *F* ("fictional"), *O* ("other") and *T* ("traditional").]

Bates (bayts) *pn.* — **topography, rare** A place-name in micronationalism. [Earliest attested date uncertain; generally named in honour of Michael Roy Bates (born 1952), Prince of the Principality of Sealand since 9 October 2012, and previously named after Patrick "Paddy" Roy Bates (1921–2012), the founder and former Prince of Sealand; ultimately from the surname *Bates*, *Bate* + *-s* ("child of"), shortening of *Bartholomew*, from Latin *Bartholomaeus*, from Ancient Greek *Bartholomaios* Βαρθολομαῖος, from Aramaic *bar tolmai* בר תלמי ("son of Talmi").]

bedroom nation (behd·room·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, sometimes derogatory** A micronation which's territory, or mainland, consists solely of a single bedroom, or (sometimes) a handful of rooms. [First attested before 29 October 2000 by Robert Ben Madison, *Ár Päts: A Complete History of the Kingdom of Talossa* (part one: "The Spirit of '79"); so-called because the bedroom is most often claimed due to being the micronational leader's personal (private) room.]

Big Three (big·three) *pn.* — **micropatriology** Ostensibly the three most influential micronationalists in the English-language micronational community: Kevin Baugh of the Republic of Molossia (born 1962), Paddy Roy Bates of the Principality of Sealand (1921–2012) and Leonard Casley of the erstwhile Principality of Hutt River (1925–2019). [Coined 17 December 2020 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; *big* ("significant; popular; important") + *three* for the number of micronationalists.]

Bir Tawil to Catan

Bir Tawil (bir·ta·wil) *pn.* — 1. A terra nullius (unclaimed) desert region in north Africa, along the border between Egypt and Sudan; declared by Egypt to be Sudanese-owned and by Sudan to be Egyptian-owned, hence claimed by neither macronation and subsequently claimed by several micronations. 2. A generic name for a micronation claiming the Bir Tawil region. [1. First attested 1905, *The Anglo-Egyptian Sudan: A Compendium Prepared by Officers of the Sudan Government* (page 189), from Arabic *bīr ṭawīl* بئر طويل ("tall water well"), first attested (but certainly predating) 1851 in *Voyage au Ouadây* (page 730); 2. first attested 7 April 2014 in the *Kingdom of Bir Tawil*, MicroWiki; from the first sense; see also *Gornja Siga* and *Marie Byrd Land*.]

bug (bug) *n.* — **derogatory, obsolete** 1. A micronationalist who serves no purpose other than being a source of annoyance. 2. Shortening of *bug nation*. [Both senses coined 1997 in the Kingdom of Talossa, possibly by Robert Ben Madison; both senses are derived from *bug nation*.]

bug nation (bug·nay·shn) *n.* — **derogatory, obsolete** A micronation which serves no purpose other than being a source of annoyance. [Coined 1997 by Robert Ben Madison, Kingdom of Talossa; from the verb *bug* ("to annoy") + *nation* ("a micronation").]

canon country (kahn·uhn·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *macronation*. [First attested 30 September 1997 by Lise Mendel, "first draft of the charter of the League of Secessionist States" [e-mail]; *canon* ("accepted principle or rule") + *country*, essentially equivalent to "real country" or "actual country".]

canonical country (kuh·naa·nuh·kl·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **obsolete** Elongated spelling of *canon country*; a macronation. [First attested 3 May 2003, *Talk Micronations* (Micronations.net); *canonical* ("accepted principle or rule") + *country*.]

Catan (kuh·taan) *n.* — **Facebook and MicroWiki sectors, derogatory, dated, now very rare** A fraudulent micronation; an Erusia. [First attested 10 May 2015, Micronational Forum (Facebook); from the Kingdom of *Catan*, a fraudulent micronation that was active in sporadic intervals between mid-2014 and late 2018; the etymology of the kingdom's name itself is unknown, but Catan is a popular board game created in 1995, an uncommon last name, and—when written in sentence case—a word with various meanings in a number of Romance languages.]

Cesidian to cloutstate

Cesidian (seh·see·dee·uhn) *adj.* — Denoting or relating to the micropatriologist Cesidio Tallini, especially his paradigms, concepts, theories, writings, beliefs, projects, ventures and other works. [Coined before 17 November 2001 by Cesidio Tallini; *Cesidio* + *-ian* ("of, like, or relating to, the specified root word"), from Tallini's first name of Italian origin; from the Latin given name *Caesidius*, from *Caesius*, ultimately from *caesius* ("grey, blue or blue-grey eyes").]

Cesidianism (seh·see·dee·uhn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **Cesidian** The paradigms, concepts, theories, writings, beliefs, projects, ventures and other works of the micropatriologist Cesidio Tallini. [Coined before 17 November 2001 by Cesidio Tallini; *Cesidian* ("denoting or relating to the micropatriologist Cesidio Tallini") + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

citizen-sharing (sɪ·tuh·zuhn·sheh·ruhng) *n.* — **now rare** Shortening of *citizenship sharing*. [Coined 2016 by Henry Clémens, Skype.]

citizenship sharing (sɪ·tuh·zuhn·shuhp·sheh·ruhng) *n.* — **now rare** The act or practice of holding citizenship in multiple micronations while only being active in one or a few of them; in other words, the act of being a serial micronationalist. [By 2016 in the Abeldane Empire community, Skype; possibly coined by Henry Clémens.]

cylete (sai·leet) *n.* — **originally chiefly MicroWiki sector, rare** A participant in a Micronational Olympic Federation event, whether online or physical. [First attested 9 February 2018 by Nicholas Randouler, MicroWiki; blending of *cyber* ("relating to cyberspace or the Internet; online") + *athlete* ("a participant in sporting activities"), and so-called because the first tournaments of the Micronational Olympic Federation were held solely online.]

classical micropatriology (kla·suh·kl·mai·krow·pat·ri·uhl·uh·jee) *n.* — **rare** The paradigm of micronationalism and micropatriology that places micronations on a two-dimensional scale between simulationism (not actively seeking independence) and secessionism (actively seeking independence). [Coined December 2019 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood; so-called because it is the most common, *classical* ("of or pertaining to established principles") form of micropatriology.]

cloutstate (klowt·stayt) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, neologism** A micronation that exists principally to gain social media attention and revenue through online views and membership. [Coined 12 July 2024 by Aidan McGrath, MicroWiki Community Discord server; *clout* ("influence or power") + *state*.]

community micronation to countercountry

community micronation (kuh·myoo·nuh·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1.

uncommon A micronation consisting of a great deal of (often very unified or dedicated) citizens, especially those holding dual citizenship in other micronations. 2. **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** A hypothetical micronation that would be a collectively-run project encompassing the entire MicroWiki sector. [1. First attested 12 May 2009, List of Micronations Forum; from *community* ("a group with shared characteristics") + *micronation*; 2. coined December 2020 or January 2021 by Saxbar "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, Discord; probably from *MicroWiki community* + *micronation*.]

Conflict Era (kon·flikt·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 29 January and 2 August 2009, categorised by immense activity but plagued by various micronational conflicts and scandals. Preceded by the Foundation Era (2005–2009) and succeeded by the Lethler Era (2009–2010). [c.April 2011, perhaps by Aldrich Lucas or Parker I of Secundomia, MicroWiki; so-called for the time period's large number of *conflicts*; probably from, or influenced by, the *First Great Conflict era* ("unofficial name for the time period in MicroWiki's history corresponding roughly to the modern Conflict Era"), coined 9 January 2010 by William Danforth, MicroWiki.]

contraGUMism (kon·tra·guh·m·izm) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, now dated, very rare** Opposition towards the Grand Unified Micronational (GUM), its policies, or leadership. [Coined 20 May 2020 by Henry Clémens, writing in *Messenger* (a news publication); *contra-* ("against") + *GUM* ("abbreviation for the Grand Unified Micronational") + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

contraGUMist (kon·tra·guh·m·ist) — **MicroWiki sector, now dated, very rare** 1. *n.* One who believes in, or otherwise supports, contraGUMism. 2. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for contraGUMism. [Both senses coined 20 May 2020 by Henry Clémens, writing in *Messenger* (a news publication); 1. *contraGUMism* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word"); 2. *contraGUMism* + *-ist* ("pertaining to").]

countercountry (kown·tr·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested before 1 September 1996, The Micronations Page; *counter-* ("against; in contradiction to") + *country*.]

counternation to cybernation

counternation (kown·tr·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 5 April 2004, Wikipedia; excerpt of a quotation from Chiefa Coins; alternative form of *countercountry*, using *nation* as a synonym for *country*.]

cryptarchy (krip·taar·kee) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 30 November 2005, Google Groups; from French *cryptarchie* ("micronation"), coined 1997 by Bruno Fuligni, *L'Etat C'est Moi: Histoire des monarchies privées, principautés de fantaisie et autres républiques pirates*; *crypto-* ("secret") + *-archie* ("-archy: denotes a form of government").]

cultural group (kuhl·chr·uhl·groop) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A stable community of interest—such as a friendship group—who share a common identity and provide the cultural basis for a micronation. [Coined November 2017 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood.]

cultural micronation (kuhl·chr·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **rare** A micronation that functions as a simulation of a particular culture. [First attested 25 May 2011, List of Micronations Forum.]

cyber micronation (sai·br·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **slightly formal, uncommon** A micronation that does not claim any physical territory, instead laying claim to, or being based around, the Internet or the World Wide Web, such as through social media. [First attested September 2013 by Russell McDougall, *Surveying the American Tropics* (page 238); *cyber* ("relating to cyberspace or the Internet; online") + *micronation*; compare *cybernation* and *cyberstate*.]

cybercitizen (sai·br·si·tuh·zn) *n.* — **obsolete** An online citizen of a micronation recruited via the Internet, as opposed to a resident or person who resides in, or is physically able to, visit said micronation. [First attested June 1996 by Robert Ben Madison; *cyber-* ("relating to cyberspace or the Internet; computers") + *citizen*; possibly from *cybercitizen* ("a netizen; an Internet user").]

cybernation (sai·br·nay·shn) *n.* — Synonym for *cyber micronation* ("a micronation that does not claim any physical territory, instead laying claim to, or being based around, the Internet or the World Wide Web, such as through social media"). [First attested 26 November 1996 by Larster I of the Aresian Crown, Usenet; *cyber-* ("relating to cyberspace or the Internet; computers") + either *nation* ("synonym for *country*") or *micronation*.]

cyberstate to digital micronation

cyberstate (sai·br·stayt) *n.* — **rare or dated** Synonym for *cyber micronation*.

[First attested October 2000 by Ruth Wedgwood as *Cyber-state*, *Kentucky Law Journal* (vol. 88, no. 4, p. 958); *cyber-* ("relating to cyberspace or the Internet; computers") + *state* ("a sovereign or self-governing (to some extent) political entity"); compare earlier *cybernation*.]

derivatism (dur·ɪ·vuht·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, Hispanic sector English, rare** Synonym for *secessionism*. [Coined 1 July 1989 by Dan Lorentz in the Kingdom of Talossa; *derivative* ("something which is derived") + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"); so-called for a micronation that *derives* from a macronation (as opposed to a micronation that does not formally declare independence, such as one following *peculiarism* or *simulationism*).]

derivatist (dur·ɪ·vuht·ist) — **Lusophone sector English, Hispanic sector English, rare** 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for derivatism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, derivatism. [1. First attested 10 August 1999, Forum Romanum of Nova Roma; from Portuguese *derivatista*, earliest attested date uncertain; *derivatismo* ("non-hobbyist micronationalism; secessionism") + *-ista* ("-ist: pertaining to"); 2. first attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *derivatista*, first attested October 1998, As *Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; *derivatismo* ("non-hobbyist micronationalism; secessionism") + *-ista* ("-ist: one who does, or engages in, the specified root word"); both senses ultimately from English *derivatism* (see for further etymology).]

diaxenospitia (dee·ah·zahn·oh·spit·ɪ·ah) *n.* — **Cesidian, rare** A populated micronation made up of separate, dispersed territories or claimed areas around the world, especially residential properties (houses) and public land, such as parks, fields or forests. [Coined 20 August 2010 by Cesidio Tallini; blending of Greek διανέμω *dianémo* ("to distribute") + ξένος *xénos* ("foreign") + σπίτια *spítia* ("houses").]

digital micronation (di·juh·tl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **uncommon** Synonym for *cyber micronation*. [First attested 14 January 2012 by Matthew Knight, Twitter; *digital* ("relating to computers, cyberspace or the Internet; online") + *micronation*.]

Diplomabear to dormancy

Diplomabear (duh·ploh·mah·behr) *pn.* — 1. **Grand Unified Micronational jargon, MicroWiki sector, sometimes lowercase** The Diplomabear World Tour: a diplomatic project, started and originally headed by the Federation of Egtavia in 2012 and revived by the Grand Unified Micronational in 2016, to send (especially via mail) a small red teddy bear named Angus Diplomabear to various micronations around the world. 2. **chiefly Grand Unified Micronational jargon, uncommon** The bear itself, Angus Diplomabear. [Both senses coined before 1 August 2012 by Petya d'Égtavie, Skype: blending of *diplomacy* + *bear*, perhaps a clipping of *teddy bear*.]

diplomania (duh·plow·may·nee·uh) *n.* — **obsolete** The state of being diplomanic. [Coined 2000 by P. R. Rasmussen and A. C. Caum; *diplomacy* + *-mania* ("obsession").]

diplomanic (duh·plow·man·ik) *n.* — **obsolete** A new micronation or micronationalist who is overly-eager to seek out diplomatic relations with other micronations in a manner considered indicative of a preference for quantity over quality. [Coined 2000 by P. R. Rasmussen and A. C. Caum; *diplomania* + *-ic* ("of, or pertaining to, the specified root word").]

Discord micronationalism (di·skord·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* — **uncommon** Micronationalism as it applies to the voice over IP and instant messaging social media platform Discord, involving Discord nations; the Discord sector. [First attested 15 July 2021, MicroWiki.]

Discord nation (di·skord·nay·shn) *n.* — A micronation which exists or operates—in part or entirely—on the the instant messaging social media platform Discord. [First attested 25 January 2017, Concordian Republic Discord server.]

Discord sector (di·skord·sek·tr) *pn.* — A sector based around the voice over IP instant messaging social platform Discord, categorised by its informality and loose associations with the Reddit sector. [First attested 10 February 2020 by Nicholas Randouler, MicroWiki; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

dormancy (dor·muhn·see) *n.* — The state or quality of a micronation being dormant. [First applied to micronations as early as 20 December 2005, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *dormancy* ("being dormant; still; inactive restfulness"); see also *dormant*.]

dormant to Early Modern Era

dormant (dor·muhnt) *adj.* — The state in which a micronation or intermicronational organisation has absolutely no activity; stronger than *inactive*. [First applied to micronations as early as 1 December 2002 by Gryphon Avocatio, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *dormant* ("intensely inactive; suspended").]

DoveArchives sector (dove·aar·kives·sek·tr) *pn.* — **mildly proscribed, uncommon** The sector of micronationalists who use the DoveArchives wiki or associated Discord server. [Coined 29 April 2023 by Ethan S., DoveArchives; from *DoveArchives* ("a micronational wiki launched by Ethan S. on 4 February 2022") + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture"); the *DoveArchives* name was conceived miscellaneously by Ethan from his fondness of pigeons and doves, combined with the wiki's purpose of serving as an *archive* of micronational content; mildly proscribed by Ethan since December 2023 for instead preferring the term *DoveArchives community*.]

E (ee) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronational classification issued the erstwhile International Micropatrological Society for micronations deemed by the society as "extinct", either by being defunct, dormant or inactive. [First attested 28 March 1976, *The New York Times*, though the Micropatrological Society was founded in 1973; see also *B* ("bogus"), *F* ("fictional"), *O* ("other") and *T* ("traditional").]

Early Modern Era (ur·lee·mo·drn·err·uh) *pn.* — **micropatriology, neologism** An era of micronationalism by micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye that occurred between 1933 and 1963, categorised by the creation of the Ephemeral States file by the Office of the Geographer of the United States' Department of State in 1933, and the foundation of several self-proclaimed political entities that resemble present-day micronations. Followed by the Seasteading Era (1964–1972). [Coined 23 May 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; so-called because the Ephemeral States file was the first entity to classify micronations as separate political entities, and thus he regarded this as the ostensible creation of modern micronationalism.]

edit war to embassy

edit war (eh·duht·wor) **chiefly MicroWiki sector** — 1. *n.* A dispute over the content of a page on MicroWiki between opposing users continually making edits (changes), usually without discussion; sometimes regarded (typically by simulationists and cyber micronations) as a form of micronational warfare. 2. *vb.* To engage in an edit war. [1. First attested 9 March 2010 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 21 June 2012 by Heinrich Schneider, MicroWiki; both senses from *edit war* ("on a wiki: a dispute over the content of a page wherein opposing editors repeatedly alter the content of said page without discussion"), first attested 25 October 2002 by Stephen Gilbert, Wikipedia; from *edit* ("a change") + *war* ("on the Internet, an argument, disagreement or dispute; a clash").]

edit warred (eh·duht·word) *vb.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector** To have engaged in an edit war. [Simple past tense and past particle; thus, *edit war* ("a dispute over the content of a page on MicroWiki") + *-ed* ("forms the past tense of (regular) verbs").]

edit warring (eh·duht·wor·ehng) *vb.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector** To engage or participate in an edit war. [First attested 21 June 2012 by Heinrich Schneider, MicroWiki; present particle of *edit war* ("a dispute over the content of a page on MicroWiki"); thus, *edit war* + *-ing* ("denotes an action").]

egonation (ee·gow·nay·shn) *n.* — **derogatory, dated** A micronation with only one citizen or one active participant; a one man nation. [By 1997; blending of *ego* (Latin "the self") + *micronation*.]

egostan (ee·gow·stan) *n.* — **sometimes derogatory, now chiefly MicroWiki sector** A micronation with only one citizen or one active participant; a one man nation. [First attested 27 August 2010 by Jacobus Loki, Micras forums; *ego* (Latin "the self") + *-stan* (from Persian *-estān* استان "land of"); compare earlier *egonation*.]

embassy (em·buh·see) *n.* — **Discord sector** An individual channel (chatroom forum) on a micronational server on the instant messaging social media service Discord that is dedicated to the sharing of news and announcements from a particular micronation. [First attested 17 February 2020, r/micronations (Reddit); from *embassy* ("a building in a macronation consisting of officials who formally represent a foreign macronation; a permanent diplomatic or political mission from one macronation to another").]

Emergent Era to Ephemeral States file

Emergent Era (uh·mur·jnt·eer·uh) *pn.* — **micropatriology, neologism** An era of micronationalism by micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye that occurred between 1980 and 1995, categorised by the waning of English academic and media attention paid to micronations, the emergence of independent mini-nations in Japan and the foundation of several satirical, protest and artistic micronations founded largely in Europe. Follows the Academic Era (1973–1979) and is followed by the Internet Era (1996–2009). [Coined 23 May 2023 by Emiel Hardy, MicroWiki Community Discord server; further etymology uncertain, but the following is theorised: so-called because, according to Hardy, micronations emerged into the mainstream during this era; or, as suggested by Zabëlle Skye: so-called for the abundance of micronations which emerged during the era.]

nation (ee·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. **Discord sector, uncommon, usually derogatory** A Discord nation ("a micronation which exists or operates—in part or entirely—on the instant messaging social media platform Discord"), especially one perceived as unserious. 2. **informal, dated, now rare** Synonym for *cyber micronation* ("a micronation that does not claim any physical territory, instead laying claim to, or being based around, the Internet or the World Wide Web, such as through social media"). [1. First attested 26 October 2019 by Simon Reeve, MicroWiki@Discord; 2. first attested 4 May 2015 by Sir Aelthred of Snicker Downs, Microfreedom Index; both senses from *e-* ("over the Internet; digital") + *nation*.]

ephemeral nation (uh·feh·mr·uhl·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *ephemeral state*. [First attested before 4 December 2002 by Bernard Selfin, Republic of Eslo (GeoCities); by analogy with *ephemeral state*.]

ephemeral state (uh·feh·mr·uhl·stayt) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*. [Coined 1933 in the Ephemeral States file maintained by the Office of the Geographer of the United States' Department of State; possibly from *ephemeral* ("lasting for a very short period") due to a large quantity of micronations becoming inactive or dissolving within a short period of time.]

Ephemeral States file (uh·feh·mr·uhl·stayts·file) *pn.* — A cabinet containing physical micronational documents, archives, newspaper clippings and other records that has been held and maintained by the Office of the Geographer of the American Department of State since 1933; the first entity to separately document, acknowledge and categorise micronational entities. [Coined 1933; possibly from *ephemeral* ("lasting for a very short period") due to a large quantity of micronations becoming inactive or dissolving within a short period of time.]

Erusia to Facebook sector

Erusia (uh·ruz·t·ah) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** A fraudulent micronation, especially one run by a micronationalist who engages in sockpuppetry; a micronation with a wax cabinet. [August 2010, MicroWiki; from the *Democratic People's Republic of Erusia*, a fraudulent micronation operated by the pseudonymous Robert Lethler who covertly controlled some 40 false identities, exposed throughout early July–30 July 2010; from Latin *erus* ("master of a household or family") + *-ia* ("used in forming the names of countries and micronations"); it is not related to *ruse* ("a trick").]

ex-micronation (eks·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** A former micronation. [First attested 22 November 2011, LiveJournal; *ex-* ("former") + *micronation*.]

ex-micronationalist (eks·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) *n.* — **rare** A former (usually retired) micronationalist. [First attested 9 April 2003 by Nikkolo Habatr Verta, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *ex-* ("former") + *micronationalist*.]

extra-micronational (ek·struh·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **rare** Synonym for *macronational*. [First attested 10 March 2006, MicroPédia; *extra-* ("outside or beyond") + *micronational*; from, or influenced by, Portuguese *extra-micronacional* ("extra-micronational").]

extraterrestrial micronation (ek·struh·tr·eh·stree·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **formal, rare** Synonym for *space nation* ("a micronation that claims extraterrestrial objects as its territory, such as portions of outer space, planets, stars or satellites"). [First attested 22 February 2010, *Listverse* as *extra-terrestrial micronation*; from *extraterrestrial* ("alien; from space or another planet").]

F (ehf) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronational classification issued by the erstwhile International Micropatrological Society for micronations deemed by the society as "fictional"; its precise criteria nor distinction from *B* ("bogus") is now unknown. [First attested 28 March 1976, *The New York Times*, though the Micropatrological Society was founded in 1973; see also *B* ("bogus"), *E* ("extinct"), *O* ("other") and *T* ("traditional").]

Facebook sector (fays·buhk·sek·tr) *pn.* — **rare** A blanket media sector based around the online social media platform Facebook. [First attested 11 June 2020 by Nicholas Randouler, MicroWiki@Discord; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

fake micronation to fictionation

fake micronation (fayk·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A micronation that was created as a ploy to sell merchandise, scam investors or make fraudulent claims; a hoax disguised as a micronation. 2. **derogatory** A micronational (micronation-like) entity—or entity that pertains to be a micronation—that is considered to not be a true (real) micronation. 3. **derogatory, now uncommon** A fictional or fantastical micronation, especially one involved in geofiction. 4. **literal, uncommon** A micronation that is imaginary, theoretical or does not concretely exist. 5. **derogatory, offensive, uncommon** A micronation. [1. First attested before 31 March 2011, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 14 June 2019, MicroWiki@Discord; 3. first attested by 4 May 2009, Spoofle Wiki; 4. first attested 28 April 2005, Wikipedia; 5. first attested 21 May 2006, Wikipedia; all senses from *fake* ("something inauthentic; false, fraudulent"); see also *real micronation*.]

fantasy micronation (fan·tuh·see·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A micronation-like entity that incorporates or combines fictionalised, fantastical or otherwise exaggerated elements with real life. 2. **derogatory, offensive** A micronation. 3. **dated, now uncommon** A micronation engaged in geofiction; a geofictional micronation. 4. **derogatory, dated, now rare** A micronation that exists or functions largely on the Internet; a cyber micronation. [1. First attested 15 June 2010, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 19 January 2003, Wikipedia; 3. first attested 2 November 1999, League of Secessionist States mailing list; 4. first attested 15 April 2004, Wikipedia; all senses from *fantasy* ("imaginative; existing in one's head").]

femtonation (fem·toh·nay·shn) *n.* — **jocular, rare** A hypothetical piconation located within another piconation ("a nanonation located within a nanonation"); that is, a micronation in a micronation (piconation) in a micronation (nanonation) in a micronation in a macronation. [First attested 29 March 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; *femto-* (unit prefix below *pico-* meaning "one quadrillionth") + *micronation*, by analogy with *piconation* and *nanonation*.]

fictionation (fik·shn·ay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** A fictional micronation. [A hapax legomenon—a word attested only once—known only from a micronational dictionary listing in Peter Ravn Rasmussen's *A glossary of micronational terms*, listed (attested) as early as 20 April 2001; almost certainly a blending of *fiction* + *nation* ("a micronation").]

Fifth World to Foundation Era

Fifth World (fifth·wurld) *pn.* — **chiefly Cesidian, historically MicroWiki sector, now dated or rare** Collectively, micronations which are regarded as stable, seasoned and serious with their own active community and an organic culture. [Coined before 13 July 2002 by Cesidio Tallini; from Italian *Quinto Mondo* ("Fifth World"), first attested October 2000, *Sua Maestà*; an extension of the macronational three-world model, recognising the fourth world as consisting of unrecognised macronational entities like autonomous territories and Indigenous nation-states.]

Fifthworlder (fifth·wurld·er) *n.* — **Cesidian or obsolete** A member of the Fifth World. [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 12 July 2003, "Fifth World Declaration"; *Fifth World* + *-er* ("an inhabitant of the specified root word"), with the space presumably removed for visual appeal; compare *Fifthworldism*.]

Fifthworldism / **Fifth Worldism** (fifth·wurld·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **obsolete** The association with, or characteristic of, the Fifth World. [First attested 3 October 2003 as *Fifthworldism*, *Micronational Observer* (Yahoo! Groups); *Fifth World* + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the specified root word"), with the space presumably removed for visual appeal; compare *Fifthworlder*.]

fort family (fort·fa·muh·lee) *n.* — **neologism** Collectively, micronations which are located on man-made sea forts. [Coined 11 June 2023 by Elizabeth Snowie Langley, Discord; probably influenced by *sister fort nation* ("a micronation that lays claim to a sea fort, especially one off the coast of the United Kingdom and in emulation of the Principality of Sealand").]

fort nation (fort·nay·shn) — 1. *n.* **neologism** Shortening of *sister fort nation*.
2. *pn.* **metonym, rare, usually in title case** A nickname for the Principality of Sealand. [1. Coined 10 June 2023 by Grant Taylor, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 14 March 2012, FanFiction.Net; from Sealand's location on a *sea fort*.]

Foundation Era (fown·day·shn·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 27 May 2005 and 28 January 2009, categorised by the wiki's creation, sporadic activity and the arrival of the Vanguard Generation (a major influx of micronationalists) in September and October 2008. Succeeded by the Conflict Era (2009). [c.April 2011, perhaps by Aldrich Lucas or Parker I of Secundomia, MicroWiki; so-called as the first, *foundational* period in the wiki's history.]

fragmentation theory to Google+ sector

fragmentation theory (frag·muhn·tay·shn·thee·ur·ee) *n.* — **obsolete** Any theory that aims to explain, or identify, the causes of inactivity within a micronation. [First attested 12 February 2007, Google Groups; from Portuguese *teoria da fragmentação*, perhaps coined by Bruno Cava, MicroPédia, but first attested 15 October 2006, Wikimicropédia.]

future nation (fyoo·chr·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, now rare** A micronation which intends, or is actively seeking to, become a sovereign or independent state; an earnest secessionist micronation. [First attested 25 October 1998, Usenet; so-called because the micronation intends to become a recognised *nation* (country) in the *future*.]

galactic micronation (guh·lak·tuhk·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *space nation* ("a micronation that claims extraterrestrial objects as its territory, such as portions of outer space, planets, stars or satellites"). [First attested 17 March 2009, MNeu; *galactic* ("relating to the galaxy") + *micronation*.]

geofiction (jee·oh·fik·shn) *n.* — 1. **known outside of micronationalism as "worldbuilding"** The conception, description and creation of a fictional country or a fictional world, sometimes associated with a fictional universe. Since 2009–10, geofiction as a form of micronationalism has been completely rejected by micronationalists and micropatriologists. 2. **informal, metonym, rare** A geofictional micronation or simulation. [1. Coined before 1984 by eventual members of the bilingual Dutch Geofiction Association (Dutch: *Genootschap voor Geofictie* "Association for Geofiction"); probably from Dutch *geofictie*, from *geo-* ("geographical") + *fictie* ("fiction"), the equivalent of English *geo-* ("geographical") + *fiction*; 2. first attested by 26 August 1999, *The Pacaria Home Page* (GeoCities); from the first sense.]

geofictional (jee·oh·fik·shn·al) *adj.* — Containing elements of geofiction. [First attested 30 November 1996, Usenet; *geofiction* + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

geofictionist (jee·oh·fik·shn·ist) *n.* — **now very rare** One who participates in geofiction. [First attested 14 April 2006, Google Groups; *geofiction* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

Google+ sector (goo·gl·pluhs·sek·tr) *pn.* — **historical, now rare** A former sector based around the erstwhile social network Google+, generally categorised by its association with the YouTube sector. [Coined 9 November 2020 by Anthony I of Saspearian, MicroWiki; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

Gornja Siga to hard secessionist

Gornja Siga (gorn·jah·see·gah) *pn.* — An uninhabited island floodplain, 7 km² (4.35 sq mi) in size, located on the Danube river on the border between Croatia and Serbia; declared by Croatia to be Serbia-owned and by Serbia to be Croatia-owned, thus not formally claimed by either macronation and subsequently claimed by the Free Republic of Liberland. [First attested 13 April 2015 by Vít Jedlička, Free Republic of Liberland (official website); unadapted borrowing from Serbo-Croatian *Gornja Siga*, first attested 1983, *Geografski glasnik* [Geographical Gazetteer] (vol. 45, p. 18); from *Gornja* ("upper") + *Siga* ("tufa, a type of limestone"); see also *Bir Tawil* and *Marie Byrd Land*.]

hahu (ha·hoo) *interj.* — **MicroWiki sector, Grand Unified Micronational jargon**

An expression of agreement or approval to what has been said. [Coined before 6 June 2016, Mercian Parliament House; from *hear*, *hear* used in the British Parliament to signify approval.]

hard secessionism (haard·suh·seh·shn·i·zm) *n.* — **rare** An extreme form of secessionism in which a micronation goes to great lengths to present itself as a fully independent and sovereign state, often causing conflict with macronational authorities over issues such as taxation and planning permission; they may seldom interact with the intermicronational community or reject that they are a micronation. [First attested 26 February 2020 by Ivan Brienović, MicroWiki@Discord; back-formation from *hard secessionist*, first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; from *hard* ("extreme") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism"); but, the equivalent of *hard* ("extreme") + *secessionism* ("a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

hard secessionist (haard·suh·seh·shn·ist) — **rare** 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for hard secessionism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, hard secessionism. [1. First attested 11 February 2020 by Ivan Brienović, MicroWiki@Discord; from the second sense, but via *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; *hard* ("extreme") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism, which is a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

hardline secessionism to historical micronation

hardline secessionism (haard·line·suh·seh·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **very rare**

Synonym for *hard secessionism* ("an extreme form of secessionism in which a micronation goes to great lengths to present itself as a fully independent and sovereign state, often causing conflict with macronational authorities over issues such as taxation and planning permission"). [First attested 18 October 2022 by Zabëlle Skye, *Micronational Dictionary* (first edition); originally a ghost word (fictitious word arising from a typographical error, misinterpretation or misprint) due to the word being otherwise unattested despite having a dictionary entry; back-formation from *hardline secessionist*, first attested 12 July 2020 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, MicroWiki; from *hardline* ("to an extreme, uncompromising or rigid degree") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism").]

hardline secessionist (haard·line·suh·seh·shn·ist) — 1. *adj.* **rare** Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for hardline secessionism. 2. *n.* **very rare** One who supports, or advocates for, hardline secessionism. [1. First attested 7 November 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; *hardline* ("to an extreme, uncompromising or rigid degree") + *secessionist* ("pertaining to secessionism"); perhaps by analogy with the second sense; 2. first attested 12 July 2020 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, MicroWiki; *hardline* ("to an extreme, uncompromising or rigid degree") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism"); for further etymological origin, compare the suffixes *-ist* ("pertaining to") and *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

historical micronation (huh·staw·ruh·kl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A defunct, dormant or otherwise inactive micronation. 2. **now rare** A micronation that functions as a simulation of a historical sovereign state, often mimicking its archaic form of government, laws, beliefs or culture. 3. **rare** A significant, noteworthy, influential or otherwise important micronation; a historic micronation. [1. First attested 15 September 2007, Wikipedia; from *historical* ("former; erstwhile"); 2. first attested by 31 December 2011, MicroWiki; from *historical* ("concerning the past; past history"); 3. first attested 21 February 2008, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *historical* ("historic: significant, important or noteworthy in history or to historians").]

Holy Grail of micronationalism to IML

Holy Grail of micronationalism (howl·lee·gray·uhl·ov·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* — **figurative, obsolete** Of a micronation, the achievement of independence or diplomatic recognition. [First attested 26 February 2001 by Peter Ravn Rasmussen, *What is micronationalism? An introduction*; from *Holy Grail* ("something highly sought-after and attained only through strenuous endeavour").]

host nation (howst·nay·shn) *n.* — **uncommon** Synonym for *parent macronation*. [First attested 26 September 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *host* ("something that provides accommodation services to another") + *nation* ("a macronation"), so-called because the micronation is located within the macronation.]

How to Start Your Own Country (haw·too·staart·yor·own·kuhn·tree) — 1. *pn.* A common, macronational title for literature and media concerning micronationalism; including a 1979 American non-fiction book, 2005 British BBC television series, and 2010 Canadian documentary film. 2. *pn.* A common title for an informative guide to creating a micronation. [Both senses coined 1979 by Erwin S. Strauss, *How to Start Your Own Country* (book).]

hyper secessionism (hai·pr·suh·seh·shn·i·zm) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A form of micronationalism in which a micronation insists rigidly on the seriousness of their aspirations to secede, denying any meaningful distinction between such secessionist micronations and macronational unrecognised states; hard secessionism. [Coined 10 May 2024 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood and Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, Discord; derived from the prefix *hyper-* ("intensely; extremely"), and so-called so as to insinuate that hyper secessionism is an extreme form of traditional micronational *secessionism*.]

imaginary country (uh·ma·juh·neh·ree·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **dated or derogatory, potentially offensive** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested in micronationalism before 1 September 1996, The Micronations Page; *imaginary* ("existing only in one's mind") + *country* ("a macronation") due to micronations being diplomatically and legally unrecognised as sovereign states (countries).]

IML (ai·em·el) — 1. *adv. obsolete* Referring to one's role in micronationalism, as opposed to real life; macronationalism. 2. *adj. obsolete* Happening or existing within micronationalism. [c.1998 (per *A glossary of micronational terms*); initialism of *in micronational life*, by analogy with *in real life* ("happening or existing outside of the Internet").]

IMO to Indonesian micronations shock

IMO (ai·em·oh; ai·mow) *n.* — **rare** Abbreviation for *intermicronational organisation*. [First attested 17 May 2023 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; perhaps by analogy with *IGO* ("intergovernmental organisation"); see also *MO* ("micronational organisation").]

IMS (ai·em·ehs) *pn.* — Initialism for *International Micropatrological Society*: a defunct, American research institution and learned society that was the first organisation devoted solely to the study of micronationalism; founded in 1973 by Frederick W. Lehmann IV and legally (though not practically) disbanded in 1988, but inactive since about 1980. [Coined 1973, perhaps by Frederick W. Lehmann IV.]

in micronational life—see *IML*.

inactive (in·ak·tuhv) *adj.* — The state in which a micronation or intermicronational organisation is not presently performing any actions. [Applied to micronations as early as 4 March 2001, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *inactive* ("not active"); see also *dormant*.]

inactivity (in·ak·tuhv·uh·tee) *n.* — Of a micronation or micronationalist, the state or quality of being inactive. [First applied to micronations as early as 17 December 1999, Usenet; from *inactivity* ("being inactive; idleness"); see also *dormancy*.]

independent mini-nation (in·duh·pen·dnt·mi·nee·nay·shn) *n.* — **uncommon** A simulationist micronational entity—often a town declaring sovereignty for means of regional development such as tourism—founded in Japan. [First attested 1980 in *20th Century Journal* [page 36]; from Japanese *mini dokuritsu koku* ミニ独立国 ("mini-independent country").]

indigenous nation (uhn·di·juh·nuhs·nay·shn; in·di·juh·nuhs·nay·shn) *n.* — A secessionist micronation established by indigenous peoples claiming pre-existing sovereignty over their macronation, generally not adhering to macronational privilege. [Coined 11 August 2022 by Danny Racovolis, MicroWiki.]

Indonesian micronations shock (in·duh·nee·zhn·mai·krow·nay·shns·shok) *pn.* — **event, now rare** A sudden media frenzy for micronations and micronational entities that occurred in Indonesia in January 2020, resulting in the persecution of several micronationalists. [Coined 21 January 2020 by Nabil Ihsan, MicroWiki; possibly derived from Indonesian *geger negara mikro* "micronation commotion".]

Instagram sector to intermicronation

Instagram sector (in·stuh·gram·sek·tr) *pn.* — **rare** A media sector based around the image- and video-sharing social networking service Instagram, generally categorised by its isolationism and occasional association with the Twitter sector. [First attested 13 December 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

interactive geofiction (in·tuh·rak·tuhv·jee·oh·fik·shn) *n.* — Collaborative geofiction wherein geofictional countries—self-described micronations—interact with one another. [First attested 13 April 2011, Geopoeia; *interactive* ("engaging in mutual communication and response") + *geofiction* ("the conception, description and creation of a fictional country or a fictional world, sometimes associated with a fictional universe"); for further etymology see *geofiction*.]

intermacronational (in·ter·mak·row·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **uncommon** Of or having to do with more than one macronation. [First attested 22 May 2001, League of Secessionist States mailing list; *inter-* ("involving multiple things or entities; independent or universal of the specific root word") + *macronational*.]

intermacronational community (in·ter·mak·row·nay·shn·al·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *macronational community*. [First attested by 5 April 2013, MicroWiki; by analogy with *international community* ("collectively, all the macronations of the world").]

intermacronationally (in·ter·mak·row·nay·shn·uh·lee) *adj.* — **very rare** In an intermacronational manner or context. [First attested 20 June 2016 by Horatio Eden, MicroWiki; *intermacronational* + *-ly* ("being like; behaving as; having a nature typical of").]

intermicro (in·ter·mai·krow) *adj.* — **informal, rare** Clipping of *intermicronational*. [First attested 21 June 1999, Usenet in *Supreme Intermicro-Court*.]

intermicronation (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn) *adj.* — **non-standard, rare** Synonym for *intermicronational*. [First attested 21 September 2008, Shirewiki; *inter-* ("involving multiple things or entities; independent or universal of the specific root word") + *micronation*; compare *internation* ("between macronations; international").]

intermicronational to intermicronational organisation

intermicronational (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — 1. Of or having to do with more than one micronation. 2. Independent of micronational boundaries; common to, or concerning, all micronations. [1. First attested 14 October 1996, Usenet; 2. first attested 10 October 1996 by Pedro Aguiar in *intermicronational world*, Usenet; both senses from *inter-* ("involving multiple things or entities; independent or universal of the specific root word") + *micronational*.]

Intermicronational Court of Justice (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·kort·of·juh·stuhs) *pn.* — A generic name for an intermicronational court of law, especially the judiciary of an intermicronational organisation that attempts to assert its own version of intermicronational law. [First attested 9 November 1998 by the League of Secessionist States; by analogy with the macronational *International Court of Justice*, created 26 June 1945.]

Intermicronational Court of Law (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·kort·ov·law) *pn.* — **rare** Synonym for *Intermicronational Court of Justice*. [First attested 8 August 2011 by the Organisation of Active Micronations; *intermicronational* ("concerning all micronations") + *court of law* ("a court—legal institution—presided by a judge who holds the legal authority to adjudicate disputes and make legally binding decisions based on the laws and regulations of a particular jurisdiction").]

intermicronational community (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — The collective grouping of all micronations, micronationalists and intermicronational organisations around the world. [First attested 13 May 1999, Usenet.]

intermicronational economics (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·eh·kuh·naa·muhks) *n.* — **rare** The branch of micronational economics concerned with giving the intermicronational community a centralised economy. [First attested 27 August 2016 by Liam Sinclair, *The Coprieta Standard*.]

intermicronational law (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·law) *n.* — A hypothetical set of standards, norms and rules within the intermicronational community. [First attested 13 May 1999, Usenet; by analogy with the macronational equivalent, *international law*.]

intermicronational organisation (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·or·guh·nai·zay·tion) *n.* — An organisation or union composed of micronations and (rarely) intermicronational organisations which are collectively referred to as member states. [First attested before 17 October 1996, League of Secessionist States (GeoCities); perhaps by analogy with *intergovernmental organisation*.]

intermicronational relations to intermicronationality

intermicronational relations (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ruh·lay·shns) *n.* —

1. **uncommon** The study of the diplomatic relations, interactions and relationships between micronations. 2. **formal, rare** The diplomatic relations and interactions between micronations themselves; micronational relations. [1. First attested 26 May 1998 by Brent Schultze, Grand Alliance (bulletin board); by analogy with *international relations* ("branch of political science concerned with the relations between macronational entities"); 2. first attested 7 October 1998 by Flavius Veditus Germanicus, Tabularium (senate) of Nova Roma; *intermicronational* ("of or having to do with more than one micronation") + *relations* (in the plural to denote "the relationship between macronational entities: the manner and techniques in which they interact").]

intermicronational summit (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·suh·muht) *n.* —

formal Synonym for *micronational summit*. [First attested 1 July 2008, Wikinews.]

intermicronational world (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wurld) *n.* — **very rare**

The micronational world; the intermicronational community. [First attested 10 October 1996 by Pedro Aguiar, Usenet; *intermicronational* ("independent of micronational boundaries; common to, or concerning, all micronations") + *world* ("a group perspective; social setting").]

intermicronationalism (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* — **rare**

Micronationalism in regards to the intermicronational community. [First attested 9 October 2008 by Ari Rahikkala, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *intermicronational* ("of or having to do with more than one micronation") + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the root word"); perhaps by analogy with *internationalism* ("cooperation between macronations").]

intermicronationalist (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) — 1. *adj.* **rare** Of,

denoting, or pertaining to intermicronationalism. 2. *n.* **very rare** One who is involved in two or more micronations. [1. First attested 22 February 2015 by Darwin Eugenio, MicroWiki; *intermicronational* + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 31 March 2022 by Zabëlle Skye, *Historical Overview of the MicroWiki Community: 2005–2008* (page 3); *intermicronational* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

intermicronationality (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·uh·tee) *n.* — **non-standard,**

very rare The quality of being intermicronational; intermicronationalism. [First attested 11 April 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *intermicronational* + *-ity* ("state or characteristic of; quality or condition of").]

intermicronationally to Inter-Summit Era

intermicronationally (in·ter·mai·krow·nay·shn·uh·lee) *adj.* — In an intermicronational manner or context. [First attested 19 November 2001, *Citizenship Application Report for William Chocolate*, Empire of the Nations of Katò (GeoCities); *intermicronational* + *-ly* ("being like; behaving as; having a nature typical of").]

Internet Era (in·tr·net·eer·uh) *pn.* — 1. **neologism** An era of micronationalism by micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye that occurred between 1996 and 2009, categorised by the emergence and prominence of micronational websites, slang, sectors, intermicronational organisations, ideologies and micropatriological ventures; the development of the intermicronational community. Follows the Emergent Era (1980–1995) and is followed by the Present Era (since 2010). 2. **rare** The era of micronationalism on the Internet, commencing in 1995. [1. Coined 23 May 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; 2. first attested 14 June 2006 by David V, Micro-Nations.com; both senses so-called for the prominence of the *Internet* and its influence on micronationalism during their respective periods.]

Internet micronation (in·tr·net·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — Synonym for *cyber micronation* ("a micronation that does not claim any physical territory, instead laying claim to, or being based around, the Internet or the World Wide Web, such as through social media"). [First attested 4 October 2003 by Scott Alexander in *non-Internet micronation*, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; so-called because such a micronation exists on the Internet.]

Internet micronationalism (in·tr·net·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ɪ·zm) *n.* — 1. Micronationalism as it applies to the Internet; the association with micronational websites, cyber micronations and the online presence, and operations of, micronations and micronationalism as a whole. 2. **in stricter terms** Micronationalism as it applies to cyber micronations, especially ones adhering to simulationism. [1. First attested 19 October 2005 by Bill Dusch, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; 2. first attested 3 June 1998, Usenet.]

Inter-Summit Era (in·ter·suh·muht·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 6 September 2011 and 13 July 2012, categorised by community division, the Yablokogate scandal which eventually ostracised once-influential administrator Aldrich Lucas and the creation of the rival MicroWikia website. Preceded by the Post-Lethler Era (2010–2011) and succeeded by the Settled Era (2012–2014). [Coined before 28 October 2013; from *Inter-* ("between") + *summit*, so-called because the era occurred between two influential summits in the MicroWiki sector; the 2011 Intermicronational Summit on 24 August 2011 and PoliNation 2012 on 14 July 2012.]

intra-micronational to LARPie

intra-micronational (in·truh·mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl) *adj.* — **very rare**

Occurring, happening, existing in, or relating to, an individual micronation, as opposed to something happening or existing intermicronationally. [First attested 10 December 2006 by Richard Shears, Micro-Nations.com; *intra-* ("within a single thing or entity") + *micronational*.]

island micronation (ai·luhnd·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A micronation which's principal territory consists of one or more islands or parts of an island.

2. **now rare, proscribed** A seasteading micronation. [1. First attested 29 October 2011, Twitter; 2. first attested 10 May 2007, mdfs.net; both senses from *island* ("a piece of land (smaller than a continent) surrounded entirely by water"), although the second sense is often proscribed due to being considered erroneous or likely to cause confusion with the first sense.]

Japanese Micronations Boom (juh·pan·eez·mai·krow·nay·shns·boom) *pn.* — **event, rare** A micronations boom of independent mini-nations—micronational entities or proto-micronations—that occurred in Japan predominantly between 1981 and 1991. [Coined 18 August 2022 by Zabëlle Skye; *Japanese* ("relating to, or concerning, the micronation of Japan") + *micronations boom* ("a sudden increase in the number of micronations and micronational activity in a particular area during a particular period").]

LAOP (laa·op) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronation that claims physical territory, and otherwise has a physical presence, but largely operates online, such as on a national Discord server. [Coined 25 May 2023 by Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, MicroWiki Community Discord server; initialism of *live action online play*, by analogy with *live-action roleplay* (LARP).]

LARP (larp) *n.* — Live-action roleplay: a game in which participants physically portray their fictional characters; in micronationalism, used as an insult to accuse a micronationalist or micronation as being simulationalist or unserious. [First attested in micronationalism on 9 August 2003, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *LARP* ("live-action roleplay"), first attested 30 January 1990, Usenet.]

LARPie (laarp·ee) *n.* — **derogatory, Discord sector, neologism** A micronationalist who, or a micronation that, engages in live-action roleplay as opposed to earnest (especially secessionist) micronationalism; a micronationalist who, or a micronation that is, perceived as unserious. [First attested 15 November 2023, Discord; *LARP* ("live-action roleplay") + *-ie* ("derogatory suffix"); compare *simmie*.]

League of Micronations to Lethler

League of Micronations (leeg·ov·mai·krow·nay·shns) *pn.* — **rare** A generic name for an intermicronational organisation. [Coined 20 July 2000 by the League of Micronations, which existed until 25 August 2007; either from *league* ("an association, organisation or union of political entities") + *micronations*, or by direct analogy with the *League of Nations* ("an international macronational organisation that existed between 1920 and 1946 that was succeeded by the United Nations"); see also *Union of Micronations* and *United Micronations*.]

Lethler (lef·luor) — 1. *pn.* Robert Lethler: one of over forty fictional personas maintained by a pseudonymous micronationalist, the creator of the fictitious Democratic People's Republic of Erusia, that once controlled much of the MicroWiki community; this false identity was in use chiefly between 25 August 2008 (as *Robert Lefler* until 23 October) and late August 2010, with a brief return in September 2011; Lethler's real identity was not discovered until April 2023. 2. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, jocular, dated** A secretive, make-believe threat; the micronational bogeyman or an all-controlling illuminati-like organisation or representative. 3. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, jocular, now rare, sometimes in sentence case** A fictional substance for smoking, typically depicted as a drug. 4. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, derogatory, obsolete** A dictatorial micronationalist, especially one viewed as demanding, manipulative, all-powerful and arrogant. 5. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** A micronationalist who uses one or multiple alternative pseudonymous online accounts (sockpuppets). [1. First attested 23 October 2008 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki in *Robert Lethler*; from earlier *Robert Lefler* (25 August 2008, *People's Republic of Viorata* [official wiki]) also coined by Lethler himself; named after *Robin Lefler*, a fictional character from the *Star Trek* television series; ultimately a real surname, originating as an Ashkenazic variant of German *Loeffler*, from *Löffler* ("spoon carver"), from *Löffel* ("spoon") + *-er* ("one who does the specified root word"); all subsequent senses are ultimately from the first sense: 2. first attested 21 April 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; 3. coined 12 February 2015 by Gabriel Pelger, Skype; Pelger questioned what "lethler" was and asked "[is it] something one smokes?", unintentionally creating a MicroWiki sector meme; 4. first attested 21 September 2010 by Niels Vermeersch, *The St.Charlian Observer* [user comment]; 5. first attested 3 March 2019 by Deelambs, MicroWiki@Discord.]

Lethler Era to light secessionism

Lethler Era (lef·luor·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 3 August 2009 and 29 July 2010, categorised by the hegemony of Robert Lethler and the immense influence of the Grand Unified Micronational. Preceded by the Conflict Era (2009) and succeeded by the Post-Lethler Era (2010–2011). [Coined 18 October 2018 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; named for Robert *Lethler*; see also *Lethlerism* and *Lethlerist*.]

Lethlerism (lef·ler·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** Characteristic of the Lethler Era: the hegemony that the pseudonymous Robert Lethler held over the MicroWiki community between August 2009 and 30 July 2010, before formally ousting himself and confirming the allegations that his micronation, the Democratic People's Republic of Erusia, was entirely a fabrication made up of over forty false identities. [First attested c.April 2011, MicroWiki; *Lethler* + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"); named for Robert *Lethler*.]

Lethlerist (lef·ler·ist) *adj.* — **MicroWiki sector, now rare** Of, denoting, or relating to Robert Lethler or (particularly) to Lethlerism. [First attested c.April 2011, MicroWiki; *Lethler* + *-ist* ("pertaining to"), named for Robert *Lethler*; for further etymology see *Lethlerism*.]

light secessionism (lite·suh·seh·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **rare** A form of secessionism in which a micronation officially claims independence but openly acknowledges its status as a micronation by not actively seeking statehood and by adhering to macronational privilege ("a policy in which a micronation adopts or follows the laws of its parent macronation in order to avoid legal repercussions"), all while sometimes including jocular or satirical elements. [First attested 12 September 2020, MicroWiki; *light* ("not forceful nor intense; gentle or casual") + *secessionism* ("a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism"), but possibly a back-formation from *light secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, light secessionism"), first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki.]

light secessionist to LOM

light secessionist (lite·suh·seh·shn·ist) — 1. *adj.* **uncommon** Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for light secessionism. 2. *n.* **rare** One who supports, or advocates for, light secessionism. [1. First attested 30 July 2020, MicroWiki; from the second sense, but via *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia; *light* ("not forceful nor intense; gentle or casual") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism, which is a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

linguistic sector (luhng·gwi·stuhk·sek·tr) *n.* — **sectorology**, **rare** A sector as defined by its language. [First attested 19 January 2019, Karno-Ruthenian Empire (official website); from Portuguese *setor lingüístico* ("language sector; linguistic sector"), first attested 16 June 2006 by Pedro Aguiar, Wikimicropédia; from *setor* ("sector: a micronational community or subculture"), first attested 11 June 2006 by Pedro Aguiar, Wikimicropédia, in turn from English *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture"); for further etymology see *sector*.]

live-action online play—see *LAOP*.

live-action roleplay—see *LARP*.

locality nation (low·ka·luh·tee·nay·shn) *n.* — **micropatriology**, **neologism** A simulationist micronational entity that lays claim to, often jocularly but with the consent of the inhabitants, a locality (populated area), such as a street, neighbourhood, village, town or city. [Coined 2 December 2023 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki.]

LOM / LoM (lohM) *pn.* — 1. **dated, now very rare** Abbreviation for *List of Micronations*, a micronational brand maintained by George Cruickshank consisting of an intermittently-active forums and erstwhile micronational index and wiki; originated as an index of micronations that was launched as an independent website on 15 March 2009 and last updated on 14 May 2012, with 321 micronations listed, and an associated forums launched on 16 March 2009 and intermittently active since about late 2012, with almost 7,500 posts from over 210 registered users. 2. **rare** Abbreviation for *League of Micronations* ("a generic name for an intermicronational organisation"). [1. First attested 16 March 2009 by George Cruickshank, List of Micronations Forum; 2. coined 20 July 2000; for further etymology see *League of Micronations*.]

Lovely Sector to macronation

Lovely Sector (luhv·lee·sek·tr) *pn.* — **historically derogatory, now rare** The influx of micronationalists who joined the intermicronational community during and immediately after the airing of the BBC six-part comedy documentary series *How to Start Your Own Country* between August and September 2005. [First attested 23 September 2005, Micras forums; the *Kingdom of Lovely* (the micronation featured in the series) + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

M (em) *n.* — **rare** Abbreviation for *micronation*. [First attested 16 August 2004, Google Groups.]

M&AP (em·and·ay·pee) *pn.* — **Facebook sector, rare** Abbreviation for *Micronations and Alternative Polities*: the largest micronational group (chatroom-like forum) on Facebook with 3,400 members, created by George Cruickshank on 31 December 2011. [First attested 25 March 2015, *Micronations and Alternative Polities* (Facebook).]

macro (mak·row) *n.* — 1. **informal** Of, denoting, or pertaining to an aspect of macronationalism; macronational. 2. **informal, rare** Synonym for *macronation*. [1. First attested 16 May 1998, Usenet; clipping of *macronational*; 2. first attested 21 January 2004, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; clipping of *macronation*.]

macro- (mak·row) *pref.* — Of, denoting, or pertaining to an aspect of macronationalism. [First attested by at least 19 June 1998, Usenet; either an antonym of *micro-* (as in *micronation*) or a clipping of *macronation*; for further etymological notes see *macronation*.]

macrocountry (mak·row·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *macronation*. [First attested 19 June 1998 as *macro Country*, Usenet; *macro-* + *country*.]

macro-micronation (mak·row·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronation of an abnormally large size. [Coined 26 March 2024 by Elizabeth Snowie Langley, Discord; *macro-* ("large") + *micronation*.]

macronation (mak·row·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. An internationally-recognised sovereign state; a member or observer state of the macronational United Nations. 2. Any country, as opposed to a micronation; any macronational entity. [First attested 26 November 1996 by Harold D. Thomas, Usenet; an antonym of *micronation* formed via *macro-* ("big", antonym of *micro-* "small"; in reference to *micro-* "related to micronationalism") + *nation*; probably termed to avoid confusion with words such as *nation* and *country*, which are synonyms for both a *micronation* or a *macronation*.]

macronational to macronationalise

macronational (mak·row·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — 1. Of, denoting, or pertaining to, a macronation. 2. Of, denoting, or pertaining to, an aspect of macronationalism. [1. First attested 9 September 1997, Usenet; 2. first attested 18 February 1998 in *macronational world*, Usenet; both senses from *macronation* + *-al* ("pertaining to"); for further etymological notes see *macronation*.]

macronational community (mak·row·nay·shn·al·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — **uncommon** All macronational entities and non-micronationalists, considered collectively; the macronational world, in contrast to the intermicronational community. [First attested by 30 September 2001, League of Secessionist States (GeoCities).]

macronational entity (mak·row·nay·shn·al·en·tuh·tee) *n.* — Any non-micronational political entity, state, locality, governing body—government or intergovernmental organisation—or other such entity. [First attested 17 August 2017, *The Renasian Locus* [user comment].]

macronational micropatriology (mak·row·nay·shn·al·mai·krow·pat·ri·uh·luh·jee) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** The study of micronations and micronationalism (micropatriology) by non-micronationalists. [Coined 25 March 2023 by Zabëlle Skye.]

macronational privilege (mak·row·nay·shn·al·pri·vuh·luhj) *n.* — **micropatriology** A policy in which a micronation adopts or follows the laws of its parent macronation in order to avoid legal repercussions while still maintaining a claim to sovereignty. [First attested 11 June 2019, *Minutes of the 77th Session of the Ruling Council of the Empire of Adammia*; *macronational* + *privilege* ("a right, benefit, advantage or immunity"), originating as a legal term in Adammia.]

macronational world (mak·row·nay·shn·al·wurld) *n.* — Collectively, non-micronationalists, macronations and macronational organisations; the inverse of the micronational world. [First attested 18 February 1998, Usenet; from *world* ("a group perspective; social setting"), perhaps by analogy with *micronational world*.]

macronationalise (mak·row·nay·shn·al·iz) *vb.* — **obsolete** To make something resemble, or mimic, an aspect of macronationalism. [First attested before 4 December 2002 by Bernard Selfin, Republic of Eslo (GeoCities) as *macronationalize*; *macronational* + *-ise* ("to make what is denoted by the root word").]

macronationalism to Marie Byrd Land

macronationalism (mak·row·nay·shn·al·rzm) *n.* — The association with macronations, macronational entities or macronational culture as a whole. [First attested 31 May 2002, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *macronational* + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the root word").]

macronationalist (mak·row·nay·shn·al·ist) *adj.* — **very rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to a macronation; macronational. [First attested 16 January 2008, Micro-Nations.com; *macronational* + *-ist* ("pertaining to").]

macronationality (1. mak·row·nay·shn·al·uh·tee; 2. mak·row·na·shuh·na·luh·tee) *n.* — 1. **uncommon** The quality of being macronational; macronationalism. 2. **obsolete** Macronational citizenship or identity, as opposed to micronational citizenship. [1. First attested 11 November 1998, Usenet; likely *macronational* + *-ity* ("state or characteristic of; quality or condition of"), or possibly *macronation* + *-ality* ("alternative form of *-ity*"); 2. first attested 25 August 2001, Forum Romanum of Nova Roma; *macro-* + *nationality* ("national identity or citizenship").]

macronationally (mak·row·nay·shn·uh·lee) *adv.* — In a macronational manner or context. [First attested 16 May 1999, Usenet; *macronational* + *-ly* ("being like; behaving as; having a nature typical of").]

macropolitical (mak·row·puh·li·tuh·kl) *adj.* — **informal, obsolete** Concerning, or relating to, macronational or intermacronational politics, as opposed to being micropolitical. [First attested 27 January 2005, Google Groups; *macro-* + *political*.]

macrostate (mak·row·stayt) *n.* — **non-standard, uncommon** Synonym for *macronation*. [First attested 26 February 2005, Micro-nations.net; *macro-* + *state*, possibly as an antonym of *microstate* ("synonym for *micronation*").]

macroworld (mak·row·wurd) *n.* — **informal, rare** Synonym for *macronational world*. [First attested 3 April 2001, League of Micronations Discussion Email list; either *macro-* + *world* ("a group perspective; social setting"), or as a clipping of *macronational world*.]

Marie Byrd Land (muh·ree·burd·land) *pn.* — A terra nullius (unclaimed) region of southeast Antarctica, 1,610,000 km² (620,000 sq mi) in size; subsequently claimed by several micronations. [Coined 1929 by Antarctic explorer Richard E. Byrd; named after his wife *Marie Byrd*; see also *Bir Tawil* and *Gornja Siga*.]

Maryland micronations boom to medium secessionism

Maryland micronations boom (meh·ruh·luhnd·mai·krow·nay·shns·boom) *n.*

— **event, MicroWiki sector, rare** A micronations boom that occurred at

Chopticon High School, Maryland in the United States between early April and June 2005 that resulted in the foundation of MicroWiki by foreign exchange student Fabian Schneider. [Coined by Zabëlle Skye; first attested 29 January 2022, MicroWiki; *Maryland + micronations boom* ("a sudden increase in the number of micronations and micronational activity in a particular area during a particular period").]

MCS (em·see·ehs) *n.* — 1. **metonym, obsolete** Synonym for *Micras sector*. 2.

metonym, obsolete Synonym for *Micras*, the geofictional planet itself; or the cartographic map thereof. [1. First attested 1 September 2002, MCS forums; 2. first attested 9 October 2002, *Talk Micronations* (Micronations.net); both senses are metonyms taken from the Micronational Cartography Society (MCS), the principal organisation responsible for maintaining the map of the geofictional planet Micras since said organisation's foundation on 28 December 2000.]

MCS sector (em·see·ehs·sek·tr) *pn.* — **metonym, obsolete** Synonym for

Micras sector. [First attested 13 November 2002 as *MCS Sector*, MCS forums; *MCS* ("Micronational Cartography Society: the organisation responsible for maintaining the geofictional cartographic map of the fictitious planet Micras") + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

medium secessionism (mee·dee·uhm·suh·seh·shn·r·zm) *n.* — **very rare** A

form of secessionism in which a micronation makes earnest efforts to act like, and publicly present themselves as, a sovereign state while still adhering to macronational privilege and privately holding the view that becoming internationally recognised as independent is implausible or, regrettably, futile. [First attested 26 February 2020 by Ivan Brienović, MicroWiki@Discord; back-formation from *medium secessionist*, first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; from *medium* ("of intermediate degree") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism"); but, the equivalent of *medium* ("of intermediate degree") + *secessionism* ("a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

medium secessionist to Micras

medium secessionist (mee·dee·uhm·suh·seh·shn·ist) — 1. *adj.* **rare** Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for medium secessionism. 2. *n.* **very rare** One who supports, or advocates for, medium secessionism. [1. First attested 11 February 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; from the second sense, but via *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 15 August 2019 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; *medium* ("of intermediate degree") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism, which is a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

MES (em·ee·es; mes) *pn.* — **chiefly Facebook and Twitter sectors** Abbreviation for *Micro Euro Summit*: an annual intermicronational summit held in Central Europe since 2022. [First attested 5 January 2023 by Arthur de Tourneau, Facebook; initialism; for further etymology see *Micro Euro Summit*.]

mesonation (mes·oh·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete, definition uncertain, but likely*** A medium-sized macronation—not a microstate (small macronation) nor a large macronation, but one of an average size. [First attested 20 September 1998, League of Secessionist States mailing list; *meso-* ("of a medium size") + *macronation*; *this term is known only through one direct attestation and a micronational dictionary listing (with no definitions nor further details provided) in Peter Ravn Rasmussen's *A glossary of micronational terms*.]

Micran (mai·kruhn; mik·ruhn) — **now rare** 1. *adj.* Of, denoting, or relating to, the Micras sector, or the geofictional planet of Micras. 2. *n.* A member of the Micras sector. [Both senses first attested 16 February 2003, *Talk Micronations* (Micronations.net); *Micras* + *-an* ("of, or pertaining to, the specified root word").]

Micras (mai·kras; mik·ras) *pn.* — 1. The fictional planet that serves as the setting for the geofictional countries (interactive geofiction) of the Micras Cartography Society (MCS), who self-describe themselves as "micronations". Since 2009–10, geofiction as a form of micronationalism has been completely rejected by micronationalists and micropatriologists. 2. **metonym** The Micras sector. 3. **metonym, later MicroWiki sector, now very rare** Geofiction; or, particularly, interactive geofiction. [1. Coined 15 December 2002 by Scott Alexander; from *Micron* ("historical, unofficial name for the planet Micras"), coined c.2001 by Bill Dusch as a clipping of *micronation*, with the addition of *s* in order to make the hypothetical abbreviation of *MCS*; 2. first attested 13 February 2003, Micras forums; from the first sense; 3. first attested 17 January 2006, Micro-Nations.com; from the second sense.]

Micras sector to Micro Euro Summit

Micras sector (mai·kras·sek·tr; mik·ras·sek·tr) *pn.* — The community of geofictional self-described "micronations" that are based on, or associated with, Micras or the Micras Cartography Society (MCS). [First attested 16 February 2003, *Talk Micronations* (Micronations.net); *Micras* ("a fictional planet that serves as the setting for the geofictional countries of the Micras Cartography Society") + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture"); for further etymology see *Micras*.]

micro (mai·krow) *n.* — **informal** 1. Clipping of *micronation*. 2. Of, denoting, or pertaining to, an aspect of micronationalism; micronational. [1. First attested 30 April 2001, micro-nations.org; 2. first attested 20 September 1998, League of Secessionist States mailing list in *micro community*, as a shortening of *micronational community*.]

micro- (mai·krow) *pref.* — 1. Of, denoting, or pertaining to, an aspect of micronationalism; micronational. 2. **MicroWiki sector, chiefly in the names of proper nouns, rare** Relating, or pertaining to, MicroWiki. [1. Potentially first attested before 1 September 1996 in *microstate* ("synonym for *micronation*"), but see *microstate* for further etymological notes; 2. first attested 17 January 2010 by Gordon Freeman (then known as Philip Fish) in *MicroProject Copy Edit*; a blending of *MicroWiki* + *WikiProject* ("an organised group of editors on Wikipedia").]

micro community (mai·krow·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — **informal** Shortening of *micronational community*. [First attested 20 September 1998, League of Secessionist States mailing list.]

Micro Euro Summit (mai·krow·yuor·oh·suh·muht) *pn.* — **trademark** An annual intermicronational summit held in Central Europe since 2022, with the first three hosted in the Czech Republic receiving 11 attendees in the inaugural year, 17 delegates (25 total attendees) in 2023 and 22 delegates (30 total attendees) in 2024; the fourth summit is scheduled to be held between 1–3 August 2025 in the Kingdom of Romkerhall, enclaved within Germany. [First attested 21 February 2022 by Arthur de Tournéau in *Micro Euro Summit 2022*, Twitter; alternative spelling of *Micro-Euro-Summit*, coined 13 February 2022 by de Tournéau; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Euro-* ("denoting, or pertaining to, the continent of Europe") + *summit* ("a micronational summit"); see also *MicroCon* and *PoliNation*.]

micro n. to microcity

micro n. (mai·krow·ehn) *n.* — **very rare** Abbreviation for *micronation*. [First attested 24 April 2024, Discord.]

micro org (mai·krow·org) *n.* — **informal, rare** Shortening of *micronational organisation*. [First attested 30 March 2019, MicroWiki@Discord; from *micro* ("clipping of *micronational*") + *org* ("clipping of *organisation*"); separated by a space (unlike similar terms) to avoid the successive repetition of the o.]

micro UN (mai·krow·yoo·en) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** A hypothetical intermicronational organisation that is, or claims to be, the micronational equivalent of, or resembles, the macronational United Nations (UN); a micronational United Nations. [First attested 26 September 2008 by Magdeburger Joe, Blogspot; see also *United Micronations*.]

microball (mai·krow·baal) *n.* — 1. Digital comics and artwork wherein micronations are depicted as spherical stereotypically-personified blobs that interact in often broken English, satirising micronational culture, affairs, events and intermicronational relations. 2. The spherical blob of a micronation drawn in this style. [Both senses coined 30 August 2010, Skype; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Polandball* ("artwork of macronations personified in this manner") or *countryball* (synonym for *Polandball*).]

micro-chan (mai·krow·chan) *n.* — **rare** Shortening of *micronation-chan*. [Coined 2 May 2020 by Amelia I of Lytera, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *-chan* (from Japanese *-chan* "familiar or childish title affixed to people's names")].

microchurch (mai·krow·church) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micropatriological concept which asserts that, in the vein of parallel plane theory, micronational churches are not schismatic from the macronational churches from which they ostensibly separate. [Coined 24 November 2021 by Yaroslav Mar, MicroWiki; shortening of *micronational church*, but otherwise analysable as *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *church*.]

microcity (mai·krow·si·tee) *n.* — **informal, rare** A micronational city; generally, a type of settlement or administrative area designated as such by a micronation within its claimed territory, often categorised by minuscule size, lack of industry (sometimes lacking even inhabitable buildings) and little to no population. [First attested 15 September 2010, Micronations Manager; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *city*.]

microcoin to microeconomics

microcoin (mai·krow·koyn) *n.* — **now rare** A generic name for a physical intermicronational or micronational fiat currency. [First attested 27 June 2016, Micronational Economic Group as *MicroCoin*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *coin*; see also *micro-dollar*.]

micro-community / **microcommunity** (mai·krow·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — **informal** A micronational community (sector) or the intermicronational community. [First attested 18 July 2009, List of Micronations Forum; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *community* ("a group with shared characteristics").]

MicroCon (mai·krow·kon) *pn.* — **trademark** The largest micronational summit and convention, held biennially in odd-numbered years—predominantly in North America—since 2015. [Coined September 2014 by Adrienne Baugh; blending of *micronational* and *convention*, otherwise analysable as *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *convention*; see also *Micro Euro Summit* and *PoliNation*.]

microcountry (mai·kro·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **non-standard, uncommon** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 30 January 1997, Usenet; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *country*.]

microdictionary (mai·krow·dik·shn·eh·ree) *n.* — **informal, rare** A dictionary of micronational jargon. [First attested 6 April 2019 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki@Discord; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *dictionary*.]

micro-dollar (mai·krow·do·luh) *n.* — **informal, possibly jocular, obsolete** A hypothetical unit of micronational currency. [Coined 13 May 2002 by Scott Alexander, Micronations.Net; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *dollar*; see also *microcoin*.]

microeconomics (mai·krow·eh·kuh·naa·muhks) *n.* — **informal, now rare** Synonym for *micronational economics* ("economics as it applies to an individual micronation: the creation, adoption and application of a currency, banking system, stock exchange, taxation or other economic activity on a micronational scale"). [First attested 19 January 2003, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *economics* ("a branch of social sciences that deals with the production, consumption and distribution of wealth").]

microeconomy to MicroFlag

microeconomy (mai·krow·eh·kuh·nuh·mee) *n.* — **informal, rare** The economy of an individual micronation; a micronational economy. [First attested 8 March 2004 by Mikol Rugal, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *economy*; see also *micronational economics*.]

microempire (mai·krow·em·pai·ur) *n.* — 1. **informal, rare** A micronation that has an emperor or empress as its head of state, government, or both; a micronational empire. 2. **informal, very rare** A micronation of great status or power; a micronational superpower. [1. First attested 3 July 2012, Historum; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *empire* ("a form of government headed by an emperor or empress"); 2. first attested 1 March 2000, *Wired*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *empire* ("a significant, expansive or powerful venture or enterprise").]

microethnic (mai·krow·eth·nik) *adj.* – **very rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to, a microethnicity. [First attested 2 October 2009 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki; either *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *ethnic* ("pertaining to ethnicity") or, perhaps, *microethnicity* + *-ic* ("of, or pertaining to, the specified root word").]

microethnicity / **microethnicity** (mai·krow·eth·ni·suh·tee) *n.* — **rare** A group of people who are citizens of, or closely or strongly identify with, a particular micronation or micronational entity; a micronational ethnic group. [First attested 2 October 2009 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *ethnicity* ("an ethnic group: a grouping (community) of people who identify with one another on the basis of ancestral, cultural, national, historical or religious ties").]

micro-faith (mai·krow·fayth) *n.* — **rare** A micronational religious belief; a microreligion. [Coined 20 November 2020 by user Phunanon, r/micronations; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *faith* ("religious belief").]

MicroFlag (mai·krow·flag) *pn.* — **trademark** A micronational company, founded in 2014 and based in the Federal Republic of Lostisland, that supplies micronational paraphernalia, most prominently flags. [Coined 26 May 2014 by Yaroslav Mar, CEO and founder of MicroFlag; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *flag*.]

Microfreedom to microgovernment

Microfreedom (mai·krow·free·dm) *pn.* — **informal, historical, now rare** The Microfreedom Index: an erstwhile intermicronational web directory of micronations, intermicronational organisations, websites, secessionist movements, autonomous communities, other micronational entities and general micronational links maintained by Steven F. Scharff that existed between 18 January 1999 and 8 October 2016; since owned by Travis McHenry as the MicroFreedom Index, consisting only of micronations. [Coined 18 January 1999 by Steven F. Scharff; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *freedom* ("the state of not being controlled by, or subject to, another's influence; the power of self-determination; unconstrained"), so-called because micronational entities intend to become *free* from the rule of their parent macronations.]

microgenitor (mai·krow·jeh·nuh·tuh) *n.* — **neologism** The principal creator of, and contributor to, a particular micronation. [Coined 8 September 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *progenitor* ("figuratively, one who originates something").]

microgiant (mai·krow·jai·uhnt) *n.* — **obsolete** An influential force in micronationalism; a micronational superpower or supermicronation. [First attested 11 April 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *giant* ("of extraordinary strength or power").]

micro-global (mai·krow·glow·bl) *adj.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *intermicronational*. [First attested 21 September 2002, *Talk Micronations* (Micronations.net); *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *global* ("concerning all parts of the world").]

micro-globe (mai·krow·glowb) *n.* — **obsolete** The micronational world; the intermicronational community. [First attested 16 April 2004 by Gryphon Avocatio, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *globe* ("planet Earth; figuratively, the world").]

microgovernment (mai·krow·guh·vr·muhnt) *n.* — **often informal, very rare** A micronational government. [Earliest attested date uncertain; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *government*.]

microgovt to microinternational

microgovt / **microgov't** (mai·krow·guhvt) *n.* — **informal, chiefly Facebook sector, rare** A micronational government. [First attested 20 March 2009 as *MicroGovt*, List of Micronations Forum; either a shortening of *micronational government* or *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *government*; alternatively simply *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *govt* or *gov't* (both "abbreviation for *government*").]

micro-Hetalia (mai·krow·eh·ta·lee·uh) *n.* — **rare** Artwork of micronations personified as humanoid characters, especially those from the webcomic and its anime adaptation *Hetalia: Axis Powers*—usually drawn in a minimalist chibi or anime-like style; a micro-chan. [First attested 8 July 2015 in Micro-Hetalia Group, DeviantArt; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Hetalia* ("a Japanese webcomic and subsequent anime television series in which the characters are the personifications of countries, autonomous territories and micronations").]

MicroHub / **Microhub** (mai·krow·huhb) *pn.* — 1. **rare** A generic name for a discussion venue pertaining to micronational affairs. 2. **jocular, MicroWiki sector, now very rare** A notional website or discussion venue that would consist of pornographic or suggestive micronational content; or, such content manufactured by micronationalists. [1. First attested by 10 October 2008, MicroHub (mnn.dr-spangle.com); *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Hub* ("central (focal) point"); 2. first attested 7 March 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *-hub* ("a notional website or webpage that contains pornographic or suggestive content of the root word"), from *Pornhub*.]

microhuman (mai·krow·hyoo·muhn) *n.* — **chiefly Discord sector, neologism** Artwork of micronations personified and portrayed as possessing spherical heads—often coloured as the micronation's flag—on humanoid bodies; often distinguished from micro-chans. [First attested 27 January 2023 by Grant Taylor, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *countryhuman* ("artwork of macronations personified in this manner").]

microinternational (mai·krow·in·ter·nash·uh·nuhl) *adj.* — **non-standard, rare** Synonym for *intermicronational*. [First attested 8 September 2010, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *international* ("of or having to do with more than one macronation").]

microkingdom to micronalism

microkingdom (mai·krow·king·dm) *n.* — **informal, rare** A micronation that has a king or queen (monarch) as its head of state, government, or both; a micronational kingdom. [First attested 7 April 2001, *micro-nations.org*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *kingdom*.]

microleader (mai·krow·lee·duh) *n.* — **informal, rare** Synonym for *micronational leader*. [First attested 10 April 2009, List of Micronations Forum; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *leader*, as in *micronational leader*.]

Microlympic / MicrOlympic (mai·krow·lim·pik) *adj.* — **rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to, the Microlympics. [First attested 29 August 2008 as *MicrOlympic*, Micras forums; blending of *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Olympic* ("pertaining to the Olympic Games"), but analysable as *Microlympics* + *-ic* ("of, or pertaining to, the specified root word").]

Microlympics / MicrOlympics (mai·krow·lim·piks) *pn.* — **uncommon** A generic name for an intermicronational multi-sporting event, usually held online via the Internet and created in emulation of the physical macronational Olympic Games. [First attested 24 August 2008 as *MicrOlympics*, Micras forums; blending of *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Olympics* ("the Olympic Games").]

micromacronation (mai·krow·mak·row·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronation that is named after an already existing macronational entity; a micronation eponym. [First attested 8 April 2007, Google Groups; from Portuguese *micromacronação*, coined 7 March 2006 by Pedro Aguiar; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *macronação* ("macronation").]

micron (mai·kron) *n.* — **proscribed, informal, rare** Clipping of *micronation*; synonym for *micro*. [First attested 5 July 2008, Wikipedia; preceded by the unrelated proper noun *Micron* ("historical, unofficial name for Micras"), coined c.2001 by Bill Dusch also as a clipping of *micronation*; often proscribed due to being identical to the word *micron* ("one thousandth of a millimetre") and thus likely to cause confusion.]

micronalism (mai·kron·uhl·r·zm) *n.* — **rare** Misspelling of *micronationalism*. [First attested 2001, *Institute of Political Science and Diplomacy Report*; typographical error likely caused by hasty typing, limiting the word to its basic identifying components that can still be comprehended, from *micron[ation]alism*; see also *micronationism*.]

micronat to micronation movement

micronat (mai·kro·nat) *n.* — **informal, obsolete** Clipping of *micronation*; synonym for *micro*. [First attested 29 December 1998 by Peter Ravn Rasmussen, Sovereign Principality of Corvinia (website).]

micronate (mai·krow·nayt) *vb.* — **very rare** To run, or participate in, a micronation. [Coined 24 October 2020, Philosocom; *micronation* + *-ate* ("to act in the specified manner"), interpreting *micronation* as a verb for the act of engaging in micronationalism; see *micronationing*.]

micronating (mai·krow·nay·tuhng) *vb.* — **very rare** The act of running, or participating in, a micronation; micronationing or microneering. [Coined 24 October 2020, Philosocom; present particle of *micronate*; thus, *micronate* + *-ing* ("denotes an action").]

micronation (mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — A self-proclaimed country (with varying levels of seriousness) without international recognition nor a legal basis for its existence—not truly autonomous nor self-governing and often small enough in size to not be challenged by its parent macronation—that imitates the actions of a sovereign state; a micronational entity. [Coined 11 March 1973 by the editors of the *Lansing State Journal*, republication of a *Washington Post* article by Philip J. Hilts as "a score of countries ... which are only partially real"; *micro-* ("small") + *nation* ("synonym for *country*"), literally "small country" or "micro-country"; for further etymology see page 113.]

micronation 101 (mai·krow·nay·shn·wuhn·oh·wuhn) *n.* — **sometimes jocular, very rare** A notional introductory course to micronationalism. [First attested 18 July 2012, FanFiction.net; *micronation* + adjective *101* ("beginner; basic; introductory"), originating from the numbering system of college courses in the United States in which most initial or introductory courses are numbered 101.]

micronation movement (mai·krow·nay·shn·moov·muhnt) *n.* — **sometimes proscribed** The continued establishment and development of micronations (and micronationalism) around the world. [First attested before 1 September 1996 by Robert Ben Madison, *The Micronations Page as Micronation 'movement'*; *micronation* + *movement* ("change or development"), sometimes proscribed due to the word *movement* often being misinterpreted as implying the existence of a single unified group or coalition of micronations, i.e. a political or social movement.]

micronation nullius to micronational community

micronation nullius (mai·krow·nay·shn·nuhl·r·uhs) *n.* — **micropatriology,**

neologism Territory that is not physically controlled by any micronation.

[Coined 18 October 2022 by Zabëlle Skye; by analogy with Latin *terra nullius* ("nobody's land; unclaimed land"); literally "nobody's micronation".]

micronational (mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — 1. Of, denoting, or pertaining to a micronation or aspect of micronationalism. 2. **uncommon** Of, or having to do with more than one micronation; intermicronational. [1. First attested 8 October 1996 by Robert Ben Madison, Usenet; 2. first attested 2 December 1996 by Pedro Aguiar, Usenet; both senses from *micronation* + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

micronational alliance (mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·uh·lai·uhns) *n.* — An intermicronational organisation, especially one that's membership is excluded to micronations of similar interest, geographical location (region; sector), ideology, language, goals, purpose, culture or religion, and generally formed via a treaty or compact as opposed to a charter. [First attested 15 October 1998 by Nick Bridgewater, Usenet; *micronational* + *alliance* ("an association formed for mutual benefit, especially between macronational entities").]

micronational archaeology (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·aar·kee·aa·luh·jee) *n.* — **rare** The online study of the history of a micronation by analysis of what mentions remain of them on the Internet, such as on archived webpages and websites. [First attested 11 November 2020, MicrasWiki; from *archaeology* ("the study of history by excavation and analysis of its material remains"); perhaps influenced by, or related to, Portuguese *arqueologia micronacional* ("micronational archaeology"), coined 24 July 2006 by Rodrigo Rocha; *arqueplogia* ("archaeology: the study of the past by analysis of its material remains") + *micronacional* ("micronational").]

micronational boom (mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·boom) *n.* — A micronations boom: a sudden increase in the number of micronations and micronational activity in a particular area during a particular period. [First attested 10 February 2010 by Parker I, MicroWiki; *micronational* + *boom* ("a rapid, sometimes sudden or exceptional, increase, growth or expansion").]

micronational community (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — 1. The intermicronational community; every micronation, micronationalist and intermicronational organisation, considered collectively. 2. A particular community of micronations, micronationalists and intermicronational organisations; a sector. [1. First attested 19 August 1997, Usenet; 2. first attested 7 March 2003 by Scott Alexander, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums.]

micronational economics to micronational privilege

micronational economics (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·eh·kuh·naa·muhks) *n.* — **uncommon** Economics as it applies to an individual micronation—the creation, adoption and application of a currency, banking system, stock exchange, taxation or other economic activity on a micronational scale. [First attested 6 May 2002 by Ian de Vembria, Intermicronational Economic Summit (Micronations.net); see also *intermicronational economics*.]

micronational entity (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·en·tuh·tee) *n.* — A polity (political entity) that is either similar to, but ultimately considered to be distinct from, a micronation; or, a synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 15 November 2001, Tabularium (senate) of Nova Roma; *micronational* + *political entity*.]

micronational leader (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·lee·duh) *n.* — The leader of a micronation; the head of state, head of government or microgenitor of a micronation. [First attested 2 December 2006, Micro-Nations.com; perhaps by analogy with *world leader* ("the leader of a macronation").]

micronational man of mystery—see *MMM*.

micronational movement (mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·moov·muhnt) *n.* — 1. Synonym for *micronation movement*. 2. **literal, uncommon** A particular, specified movement within micronationalism. [1. First attested 1 November 2006 by John Ryan, *NPR*; for further usage notes see *micronation movement*; 2. first attested 21 August 2006 by Cesidio Tallini, Google Groups; from *movement* ("a coalition of people who share a common belief or ideology and work together to achieve certain goals for their shared ideological views").]

micronational organisation (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·or·guh·nai·zay·tion) *n.* — 1. An intermicronational organisation: a micronational organisation composed of micronations which are referred to as member states. 2. A micronational legal entity with an explicit purpose and written rules; in other words, a micronational company, business or association. [1. First attested 21 June 1999, Usenet; 2. first attested 29 July 2002, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums.]

micronational privilege (mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·pri·vuh·luhj) *n.* — **micropatriology, noellogism** The privileges afforded to a micronation by a macronational entity, such as the right to exist and claim independence without being persecuted solely on that basis. [Coined 10 June 2024 by Zabëlle Skye; by analogy with *macronational privilege* ("a policy in which a micronation adopts or follows the laws of its parent macronation in order to avoid legal repercussions while still maintaining a claim to sovereignty").]

micronational sphere to micronational war

micronational sphere (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·sfeer) *n.* — Synonym for *intermicronational community*. [First attested 4 November 2005, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *sphere* ("figuratively, a region or domain").]

micronational summit (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·suh·muht) *n.* — A physical, diplomatic meeting (summit) between three or more micronational representatives from at least two or more micronations. [First attested 15 November 2012, MicroWiki; from *summit* ("a macronational gathering of world leaders, usually for means of diplomacy or cooperation"); believed to have succeeded the earlier *micronations summit* (first attested 26 August 2004), *intermicronational summit* (1 July 2008) and *microsummit* (10 April 2009), but now far more commonplace than all three of the aforementioned terms.]

micronational superpower (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·soo·pr·pau·uhr) *n.* — **sometimes proscribed** A micronation that has reached a level of great status, power, popularity or influence over the intermicronational community or a particular sector, such as dominating in certain micronational classifications, or in all aspects. [First attested September 2006, *Micronations: The Lonely Planet Guide to Home-Made Nations* (page 101); *micronational* + *superpower* ("a macronation with dominant status in the world"); sometimes proscribed by micronationalists who argue that the term is useless, vague or applied liberally.]

micronational war (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wor) *n.* — 1. Armed conflict between micronations, usually non-violent, with weapons often consisting of airsoft guns or Nerf weaponry. 2. A series of verbal insults or threats made between micronations or micronationalists during an argument or disagreement online. 3. **now Discord and Reddit sectors** Warfare taking place online, such as through server nuking ("the destruction and digital vandalism of a server chatroom on social networking service Discord"), spamming, doxxing and by disrupting critical online services; cyberwarfare between micronations. [1. First attested 12 August 2000 by Erik Lars, Usenet; from *war* ("armed conflict between political entities, such as countries, states or factions, often involving the deployment of organised military forces"); 2. first attested 27 February 2003, *The Hanoverian Advocate* (vol. 1, no. 1); from *war* ("an argument on the Internet, usually uncivil, between people holding opposing viewpoints"); 3. first attested 25 October 1998, Usenet; from *war* ("any protracted conflict"), in the sense of *cyberwarfare*; compare *cyberwar* ("the use of online technology to attack, disrupt or vandalise an entity").]

micronational war denial syndrome to micronationalism

micronational war denial syndrome (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wor·duh·nai·uhl·sin·drohm) *n.* — **informal, jocular or derogatory, obsolete** The tendency for micronationalists (especially those with more secessionist viewpoints) to deny the existence of, or condemn, micronational warfare as unserious, cringeworthy or pointless. [First attested 11 August 2000 by Shane T. Odium, Usenet; *micronational war* + *denial* ("an assertion of untruth") + *syndrome* ("a group of behaviours or characteristics said to identify a certain, usually unfavourable, condition or tendency").]

micronational warfare (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wor·fehr) *n.* — War (always non-fatal and usually online) between micronations. [First attested 12 August 2000 by Lars Erik, Usenet; see also *micronational war*.]

micronational world (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wurld) *n.* — Synonym for *intermicronational community*. [First attested 2 December 1996, Usenet; *micronational* + *world* ("a group perspective; social setting").]

Micronational World War (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·wurld·wor) — 1. *n.* A hypothetical world war between micronations. 2. *pn.* **proscribed** A common name given to a large-scale (usually online) intermicronational conflict. [1. First attested by 28 June 2014, Micronationals Wiki; 2. first attested 25 September 2013, Twitter; *micronational* + *world war* ("a war involving most of the world's macronations"), and capitalised to form an analogy with *World War I* ("a global conflict that occurred between 1914 and 1918 between two major coalitions of macronations: the Entente (Allies) and the Central Powers") and *World War II* ("the deadliest global conflict with 70–85 million deaths that occurred between 1939 and 1945 between two major coalitions: the Allies and the Axis powers"); second sense proscribed due to there being no such large-scale intermicronational conflict to yet occur.]

micronationalise (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·iz) *vb.* — **very rare** To make something resemble, or mimic, an aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 29 November 2015, Encyc; *micronational* + *-ise* ("to make what is denoted by the root word").]

micronationalism (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·izm) *n.* — The association with micronations, the micronational community, or micronational culture as a whole. [First attested 16 September 1996 by Pedro Aguiar, Usenet; *micronational* + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

micronationalist to micronationball

micronationalist (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) — 1. *n.* One who runs, or otherwise participates in, a micronation. 2. *n.* **uncommon, sometimes proscribed** A person involved in micronationalism, but not with a micronation directly. 3. *adj.* **non-standard, rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to an aspect of micronationalism; micronational. [1. First attested 18 September 1997 by Anthony Lawless, Usenet; *micronational* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word"); 2. first attested 17 December 1998 by Nick Bridgewater, Usenet; from the first sense; 3. first attested 19 March 2005 by Cesidio Tallini, Usenet; *micronational* + *-ist* ("pertaining to").]

micronationalist Twitter (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist·twi·tr) *pn.* — **rare** The sector of micronationalists who use the social media platform X (formerly Twitter) to make posts surrounding intermicronational diplomacy, events, issues and other ongoingings of interest to the intermicronational community; the Twitter sector. [Coined 11 May 2022 by Devin Purcell, MicroWiki; from noun *Twitter* ("a community on Twitter").]

micronationalistic (mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist·ik) *adj.* — **non-standard, uncommon** Of, denoting, or pertaining to an aspect of micronationalism; micronational. [First attested 29 June 2001 by Richard of the DCI, Micro-Nations.org; *micronational* + *-istic* ("of or pertaining to").]

micronationality (1. mai·krow·nay·shn·al·uh·tee; 2. mai·krow·na·shuh·na·luh·tee) *n.* — 1. The quality of being micronational; micronationalism. 2. **obsolete** Micronational citizenship or identity, as opposed to macronational citizenship. [1. First attested before 17 October 1996, League of Secessionist States (GeoCities); *micronation* + *-ality* ("state or characteristic of; quality or condition of") or *micronational* + *-ity* ("alternative form of *-ality*"); 2. first attested 11 December 2006, Micro-Nations.com; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *nationality* ("national identity or citizenship").]

micronationally (mai·krow·nay·shn·uh·lee) *adv.* — In a micronational manner or context. [First attested 16 May 1999, Usenet; *micronational* + *-ly* ("being like; behaving as; having a nature typical of").]

micronationball (mai·krow·nay·shn·baal) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *microball*, used especially by non-micronationalists. [First attested 27 February 2017, Polandball Wiki; *micronation* + *ball*, by analogy with *countryball*.]

micronation-building to micronationish

micronation-building (mai·krow·nay·shn·bil·ding) *n.* — **uncommon** The creation and development of a micronation, especially when planned, as opposed to being formed organically. [First attested 31 July 2011 by Scott Alexander, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micronation* + *building* ("the process by which something is built; construction").]

micronation-centric (mai·krow·nay·shn·sen·trihk) *adj.* — **very rare** Emphasising a micronation or aspect of micronationalism. [First attested before 2 July 2013 by Miles B. Huff, MicroWiki; *micronation* + *-centric* ("focus of attention; the focal point being the specified root word").]

micronation-chan (mai·krow·nay·shn·chan) *n.* — **rare** Artwork of micronations personified as moe anthropomorphism (anime-like) humanoid characters. [Coined 2 May 2020 by Amelia I of Lytera, MicroWiki; *micronation* + *-chan* (from Japanese *-chan* "familiar or childish title affixed to people's names")].

micronationdom (mai·krow·nay·shn·dm) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *micronationhood* ("the state of being a micronation"). [First attested 9 January 2009 by Ogre Lawless, MetaFilter; *micronation* + *-dom* ("condition or state of being the specified root word").]

micronation-esque (mai·krow·nay·shn·ehsk) *adj.* — **very rare** Resembling a micronation or aspect of micronationalism; micronation-like. [First attested 9 March 2023 by Alyssa Shotwell, *The Mary Sue*; *micronation* + *-esque* ("resembling").]

micronationhood (mai·krow·nay·shn·hood) *n.* — The quality of being a micronation. [First attested 8 March 1997, Usenet; *micronation* + *-hood* ("condition or state of being the specified root word").]

micronationalial (mai·krow·nay·shn·ee·uhl) *adj.* — **non-standard, rare** Synonym for *micronational*. [First attested 25 June 2022, MicroWiki Community Discord server; *micronation* + *-ial* ("alternative form of *-al*").]

micronation-in-exile (mai·krow·nay·shn·in·eks·ile) *n.* — **very rare** A micronational entity, such as a micronational government or advocacy group, that claims to be the legitimate government of a micronation while having no control over it and being forced to operate independently outside of it; a micronational government-in-exile. [First attested 13 September 2009, StampCommunity.org as *micronation in exile*; by analogy with *government-in-exile* ("a macronational government headquartered in a foreign macronation by exiles in the hopes of establishing said government in their native macronation").]

micronationing to micronation-related

micronationing (mai·krow·nay·shn·ing) *vb.* — **rare** The act of running, or participating in, a micronation; micronating or microneering. [First attested 21 April 1998 by Joseph Bloch, Usenet; *micronation* + *-ing* ("denotes an action").]

micronationish (mai·krow·nay·shn·ish) *adj.* — **informal, rare** Somewhat micronational. [First attested 28 February 2003, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micronation* + *-ish* ("somewhat; resembling").]

micronationism (mai·krow·nay·shn·i·zm) *n.* — **non-standard, rare** Synonym for *micronationalism*. [First attested 26 October 2005, EN World; *micronation* + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"); most instances are likely typographical errors, but compare *nationism* ("the practical concerns of running a nation").]

micronationless (mai·krow·nay·shn·lehs) *adj.* — **rare** Without a micronation; not belonging to any micronation. [First attested 19 February 2014 by Adam Hughes-buchanan, Facebook; *micronation* + *-less* ("without"); possibly by analogy with *stateless* ("not a citizen of any sovereign state or country; without any formal or legal nationality").]

micronation-like (mai·krow·nay·shn·like) *adj.* — **rare** Similar to that of a micronation or aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 7 January 2007, Micras forums; *micronation* + *-like* ("similar to; resembling"); see also *micronation-esque*, *micronationish* and *quasi-micronational*.]

micronation-like entity (mai·krow·nay·shn·like·en·tuh·tee) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *micronational entity*; a polity (political entity) that is similar to, but ultimately considered distinct from, a micronation. [First attested date uncertain; *micronation-like* ("similar to that of a micronation or aspect of micronationalism") + *political entity*.]

micronation-pilled (mai·krow·nay·shn·pild) *vb.* — **informal, jocular, chiefly Reddit and Discord sectors, rare** Of a person, having accepted micronationalism or a particular micronational ideology. [First attested 22 February 2023, Reddit as *micronation pilled*; *micronation* + *-pilled* ("having become aware, or accepting of, a particular ideology, philosophy or viewpoint").]

micronation-related (mai·krow·nay·shn·ruh·lay·tuhd) *adj.* — Related to a micronation, or aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 8 February 2005 by Andrew Lenahan, Wikipedia; *micronation* + *related* ("standing in relation, or connection to, the previously specified word").]

micronationry to micronationy

micronationry (mai·krow·nay·shn·ree) *n.* — **rare** The quality of being micronational; micronationalism. [First attested 26 December 2000, Micronations Today Discussion Forum; *micronation* + *-ry* ("practice of").]

micronations (mai·krow·nay·shns) *n.* — **informal, uncommon, now chiefly**

Reddit and Discord sectors Synonym for *micronationalism*. [First attested 4 April 2002, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from the plural form of *micronation*; perhaps referring collectively to the activities associated with running a micronation or engaging in microntionalism.]

micronations boom (mai·krow·nay·shns·boom) *n.* — A sudden increase in the number of micronations and micronational activity in a particular area during a particular period. [First attested 8 April 2013 by user Shii (Ashibaka), Wikipedia; *micronations* + *boom* ("a rapid, sometimes sudden or exceptional, increase, growth or expansion"); see also *micronational boom*.]

micronations summit (mai·krow·nay·shns·suh·muht) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *micronational summit*. [First attested 26 August 2004, Eco-World; so-called as a *summit* ("gathering of world leaders") of *micronations*.]

Micronations Wiki (mai·krow·nay·shns·wi·kee) *pn.* — 1. **usually preceded by "the", sometimes considered erroneous** MicroWiki: an online encyclopaedia and wiki founded on 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, dedicated to documenting all aspects of micronationalism. 2. **usually preceded by "the", now rare** A particular micronational wiki, other than MicroWiki. [1. First attested 30 December 2008 by Joe Foxon, Wikipedia; the name is often used by non-micronationalists, presumably taking it from MicroWiki's domain name, *micronations.wiki*; as such, some MicroWikians consider this name incorrect; 2. first attested 13 August 2009 by Jason Mckerra, List of Micronations Forum.]

micronationship (mai·krow·nay·shn·ship) *n.* — **very rare** The quality of being a micronation; micronationhood. [First attested 28 February 2013, Hetalia Fan-made Characters Wiki; *micronation* + *-ship* ("state of being"); see also the synonymous *micronationdom*.]

micronation-specific (mai·krow·nay·shn·spuh·si·fihk) *adj.* — **rare** Specific to a micronation, or element of micronationalism. [First attested 3 October 2008, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micronation* + *specific* ("applying to, or intended for, the specified root word").]

micronationtok to micronorod

micronationtok (mai·krow·nay·shn·tohk) *n.* — **TikTok sector** The sector of micronationalists who use the short-form video hosting service TikTok to post videos relating to micronationalism. [First attested 8 June 2022 by the user communistnoobstonia, TikTok; *micronation* + *-tok* ("denotes a community or subculture on TikTok").]

micronation-wide (mai·krow·nay·shn·wide) *adj.* — **rare** Extending or happening throughout an entire micronation. [First attested before 4 March 2014, MicroWiki; *micronation* + *-wide* ("throughout the specified area").]

micronationy (mai·krow·nay·shn·ee) *adj.* — **informal, very rare** Having the quality of a micronation or an aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 10 October 2013, Sphereful of Secrets (Tumblr); *micronation* + *-y* ("possessing the quality of; similar, or comparable to, the specified root word").]

microneering (mai·krow·neer·uhng) *vb.* — **neologism** The act of running, or participating in, a micronation; micronating or micronationing. [Coined 16 February 2024 by Andrew I of Pontchartrain-Marepa, MicroWiki Community Discord server; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *engineering* ("verb form of *engineer*: to utilise one's abilities and knowledge to design and construct something"); coined as an alternative to *micronating*.]

micrononstate (mai·krow·non·stayt) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronation which, by choice, has no government; a micronation that adheres to anarcho-capitalism, individualism or another such voluntarist ideology. [Coined 4 July 2021 by Elijah M, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *nonstate* ("an entity that is not under the control of any government"), from *non-* ("no; not") + *state*.]

micronorod (mai·krow·nor·od) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronational entity with serious or committed macronational endeavours for independence or some other form of self-governance, especially one based around, or representing, a community; a hard secessionist community-based micronation. [Coined 19 August 2024 by Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + Romanian *norod* ("people; nation; community"); Snagoveanu has affirmed his distaste for the term since January 2025 and his desire for *micronorod* to become obsolete; nevertheless, the word remains prevalent.]

micronorodist to micropatriological

micronorodist (mai·krow·nor·od·ist) — neologism 1. *adj.* Of, denoting, or pertaining to, a micronorod or aspect of micronorodism. 2. *n.* One who runs, or participates in, a micronorod; also, one who supports the concept of a micronorod. [1. First attested 1 September 2024 by Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, Discord; *micronorod* + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 14 October 2024 by Alexander Mai, MicroWiki Community Discord server; *micronorod* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

micronorodism (mai·krow·nor·od·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **neologism** The association with micronorods, their culture and the growing micronorod community. [Coined 28 August 2024 by Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, Discord; *micronorod* + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the root word").]

micropatria (mai·krow·pat·ree·ah) *n.* — **non-standard, rare** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested June 2012, *Mimicking state diplomacy: The legitimizing strategies of unofficial diplomacies*; back-formation from *micropatriology*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *patria* (Latin "country" or literally "fatherland"); literally "microcountry"; for further etymology see *micropatriology*.]

micropatrial (mai·krow·pat·ree·al) *adj.* — **obsolete** Relating to, or denoting, micropatrias (micronations). [Coined June 2012, *Mimicking state diplomacy: The legitimizing strategies of unofficial diplomacies*; *micropatria* + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

micropatrialism (mai·krow·pat·ree·al·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **obsolete** The association with micropatrias (micronations), the micronational community, or micronational culture as a whole; micronationalism. [Coined 21 September 2014 by Terri Moreau, *Subversive Sovereignty: Parodic Representations of Micropatrias Enclaved by the United Kingdom*; *micropatrial* ("relating to, or denoting, micropatrias (micronations)") + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the root word").]

micropatriological (mai·krow·pat·ri·oh·loj·ɪ·kl) *adj.* — **uncommon** Of, denoting, or pertaining to micropatriology. [First attested 15 September 2005 by Bill Dusch, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; from *micropatrological*; for further etymology see *micropatrological*.]

micropatriologist to MicroPedia

micropatriologist (mai·krow·pat·ri·uh·loj·ist) *n.* — One who practices micropatriology; a person who studies micronationalism. [First attested 7 August 2001 by Steven F. Scharff, Microfreedom Index; from *micropatrologist*, perhaps influenced by Portuguese *micropatriólogo* ("micropatriologist"; first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]), ultimately from English *micropatrologist*; for further etymology see *micropatrologist*.]

micropatriology (mai·krow·pat·ri·uh·luh·jee) *n.* — The study of micronationalism: micronations, their relationship with macronations, claims to sovereignty (statehood), secessionism, and the intermicronational community. [First attested 24 April 2001, *A glossary of micronational terms*; probably influenced by Portuguese *micropatriologia* ("micropatriology"; first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]), ultimately from English *micropatrology*, coined 1973 by the International Micropatrological Society; for further etymology see *micropatrology* and page 119.]

micropatrological (mai·krow·pat·ruh·loj·ɪ·kl) *adj.* — **dated, rare** Historical spelling of *micropatriological*. [Coined 1973 by the International Micropatrological Society, probably by founder Frederick W. Lehmann IV; *micropatrology* + *-ical* ("of or pertaining to").]

micropatrologist (mai·krow·pat·ruh·loj·ist) *n.* — **obsolete** Historical spelling of *micropatriologist*. [First attested 5 June 1992 by Frederick W. Lehmann IV, Usenet; *micropatrology* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

micropatrology (mai·krow·pat·ruh·luh·jee) *n.* — **dated, now rare** Historical spelling of *micropatriology*. [Coined 1973 by the International Micropatrological Society, probably by society founder Frederick W. Lehmann IV; *micro-* ("small") + *patria* (Latin "country" or literally "fatherland") + *-ology* ("common variant of *-logy*; denoting the study of"), literally the "study of small countries"; *micropatria* is perhaps a New Latin translation of *micronation* as a neoclassical compound; for further etymology see page 119.]

MicroPedia / Micropedia (mai·krow·peed·ee·uh) *pn.* — **now uncommon** A generic name for a micronational encyclopaedia or wiki. [First attested 14 May 2005; from Portuguese *Micropédia*, a micronational wiki and encyclopaedia ostensibly founded 2003, coined by either Rafael Filgueira or Bruno Cava; ultimately from *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *enciclopédia* (Portuguese "encyclopaedia"); see also *MicroWiki*.]

microphobe to MicroProject

microphobe (mai·krow·phohb) *n.* — **very rare** One who practices, or engages in, microphobia; one who is an anti-micronationalist. [2020, MicroWikiDictionary; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *-phobe* ("a person who dislikes, disapproves of, or hates the specified root word").]

microphobia (mai·krow·phohb·ee·uh) *n.* — **very rare** Hatred for, dislike of—or prejudice against—micronations or micronationalism; anti-micronationalism. [First attested 18 December 2019, Micronation Hub (Amino); *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *-phobia* ("the dislike, disapproval or hate of, the specified root word").]

microphobic (mai·krow·phohb·ik) *adj.* — **very rare** Relating to, or characteristic of, microphobia or microphobes; anti-micronational. [First attested 16 November 2019, Micronation Hub (Amino); *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *-phobic* ("of an adjective; a dislike, disapproval or hate of, the specified root word").]

micropolitical (mai·krow·puh·li·tuh·kl) *adj.* — **now chiefly academic, uncommon** Concerning, or relating to, micronational or intermicronational politics. [First attested 27 February 2005, Micro-nations.net; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *political*.]

microprincipality (mai·krow·prin·suh·pa·luh·tee) *n.* — **informal, very rare** A micronation that has a prince or princess (monarch) as its head of state, government, or both; a micronational principality. [First attested 22 February 2013 by Andrew Heaton, *Cracked*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *principality*.]

MicroProject / **microproject** (mai·krow·pruh·jekt) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector** An organisation (group) of editors on MicroWiki devoted to the management and editing of pages related to a specific subject (field) of information on the wiki. [First attested 22 July 2012, MicroWiki; from *MicroProject Copy Edit*, a MicroWiki editor group created 17 January 2010 by Gordon Freeman (then known as Philip Fish); a blending of *MicroWiki* + *WikiProject* ("an organised group of editors on Wikipedia"); the latter was coined before 26 September 2001 by user Manning Bartlett, itself from *wiki-* (as in *Wikipedia*) + *project* ("an endeavour"); for further etymology of the former, see *MicroWiki* (first sense).]

microreligion to Microvision

microreligion (mai·krow·ruh·li·jn) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** A religion created for, or practiced predominantly in, a micronation. [Coined 18 June 2014 by Prince Eugenio II of House Scorpio, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *religion*.]

micro-republic (mai·krow·ruh·puhb·lehk) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** A micronation in which its governance rests with the people or their representatives; a micronational republic. [First attested 22 June 2005 in *Micro-Republic of Bannestan*, Yahoo! Groups; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *republic*.]

microsphere (mai·krow·sfeer) *n.* — 1. **rare** The micronational sphere; the intermicronational community. 2. **very rare** A micronational sphere; a sector within the wider intermicronational community. [1. First attested 19 March 2009, List of Micronations Forum; 2. first attested 9 February 2009, Micras forums; both senses from *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *sphere* ("figuratively, a region or domain").]

microstate (mai·krow·stayt) *n.* — **proscribed** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested before 1 September 1996, The Micronations Page; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *state*, probably by analogy with *microstate* ("a small sovereign state"), hence proscribed due to the possibility of causing confusion.]

microsummit (mai·krow·suh·muht) *n.* — **informal, now very rare** Synonym for *micronational summit*. [First attested 10 April 2009, List of Micronations Forum; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *summit*.]

Micro-tan (mai·krow·tan) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector, rare** The personification of MicroWiki as a micronation-chan; a fair-skinned woman with white hair and two blue magnifying glasses (from MicroWiki's logo) on either side of her head. [Coined 5 October 2022 by Aidan McGrath, MicroWiki; *MicroWiki* + *-tan* (alternative form of Japanese *-chan* "familiar or childish title affixed to people's names"); by analogy with *Wikipede-tan*, the unofficial personification mascot of Wikipedia.]

Microvision (mai·krow·vi·zhn) *pn.* — **uncommon** A generic name for a micronational singing or music composition competition, in emulation of the macronational Eurovision. [First attested 1 April 2006 as *MicroVision* in the *MicroVision Song Contest 2006*; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *Eurovision*.]

microwar to MicroWiki

microwar (mai·krow·wor) *n.* — **informal, often derogatory** Synonym for *micronational war*. [First attested 23 March 2009, List of Micronations Forum; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *war*, as in *micronational war*; see also *micronational warfare*.]

MicroWiki (mai·krow·wi·kee) — 1. *pn.* **trademark** An online encyclopaedia and wiki founded on 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, dedicated to documenting all aspects of micronationalism; the largest micronational wiki and most-visited intermicronational website. 2. *pn.* **metonym** The MicroWiki sector. 3. *n.* **informal** A page on MicroWiki. 4. *n.* **especially in the plural** A version of MicroWiki in a particular language. 5. *pn.* **obsolete** A generic name for a micronational wiki. 6. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, uncommon** The users or editors of MicroWiki or one of its associated platforms, such as its Discord server, considered collectively; MicroWiki's userbase, MicroWikians. 7. *pn.* **metonym, Discord sector, uncommon** MicroWiki's official Discord server: the former MicroWiki@Discord or current MicroWiki Community. 8. *pn.* **metonym, proscribed, rare** The MicroWiki Foundation: the company that owns MicroWiki. 9. **historical, obsolete** Official name for MicroWikia, a former rival website to MicroWiki, between 14 April 2012 and 31 October 2018; now called MicroNations Fandom. [1. Coined 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, MicroWiki; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *wiki* ("a collaborative website that can be edited by Internet users"); Schneider was unaware of the prior micronational wiki bearing this name, *MicroWiki.tk*, founded by 2 August 2004; for further etymology see the etymological notes for the fifth sense; 2. first attested 6 May 2010 by Brian Barry, Micras forums; metonym from the first sense; 3. first attested 14 December 2010 by Monty Karl, Micras forums; from the first sense; 4. first attested 11 December 2009 by Gordon Freeman (then known as Philip Fish), MicroWiki; from the first sense; 5. coined by Sander Dieleman; first attested before 2 August 2004, MicroWiki.tk; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *wiki*; 6. first attested 22 March 2011 by James von Puchow, MicroWiki; 7. first attested 1 December 2018, MicroWiki@Discord; either a metonym from the first sense, or a clipping of *MicroWiki@Discord*; 8. first attested 29 August 2019 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; metonym from the first sense; 9. coined 14 April 2012 by Harry Fitzpatrick; from the first sense.]

microwiki to MicroWiki community

microwiki (mai·krow·wi·kee) *n.* — **informal, now chiefly Twitter and Amino sectors, rare** A micronational wiki. [First attested 26 November 2007, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *wiki* ("a collaborative website that can be edited by Internet users"); see also *MicroWiki* (sense 5: "a generic name for a micronational wiki").]

MicroWiki 2 (mai·krow·wi·kee·too) *pn.* — **now jocular, rare** A hypothetical sequel to MicroWiki. [Coined 25 August 2005 by Scott Alexander in *MicroWiki 2* (website); renamed to ShireWiki after Sander Dieleman's original MicroWiki (c.2 August 2004–c.13 June 2005) because it was intended as that wiki's unofficial successor.]

MicroWiki II (mai·krow·wi·kee·too) *pn.* — **obsolete** Alternative form of *MicroWiki 2*. [First attested 10 December 2006 by Lachlen of Aerlig, "MicroWiki" board on micronations.net; alteration of *MicroWiki 2* with Roman numerals *II* ("2").]


MicroWiki blue (mai·krow·wi·kee·bloo) — **MicroWiki sector, rare** A dark, grey shade of blue that is used as the official colour of MicroWiki in the wiki's branding; hex code: #1D3C72. [Coined 8 June 2023 by Matthew Laptev, MicroWiki.]

MicroWiki clone (mai·krow·wi·kee·klown) *n.* — 1. **possibly derogatory, uncommon** A micronational wiki founded in emulation of, or as a rival to, MicroWiki. 2. **derogatory, MicroWiki sector, rare, by extension** Any micronational wiki. [1. First attested 10 April 2012, MicroWiki forums; 2. first attested 30 June 2020, r/micronations; both senses from *MicroWiki* + *clone* ("an imitation or copy of something that already exists").]

MicroWiki community (mai·krow·wi·kee·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *pn.* — 1. Synonym for *MicroWiki sector*. 2. **MicroWiki sector, now rare** The community of micronations and micronationalists indirectly associated with the MicroWiki sector, such as through holding diplomatic relations with micronations in the MicroWiki sector, or by engaging in chatrooms and organisations otherwise associated with MicroWiki, like the Grand Unified Micronational. [1. First attested 10 April 2009, MicroWiki; named after the online wiki upon which the community originated; 2. coined 13 January 2021 by Ives "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood; by analogy with the first sense.]

MicroWiki emoji to MicroWiki@Discord Era

MicroWiki emoji (mai·krow·wi·kee·uh·mow·jee) *n.* — **often jocular, obsolete**

The 'Globe With Meridians' emoji () , a stylised hallow blue globe with meridians that resembled the former logo of MicroWiki between 23 March 2017 and 21 May 2022. [First attested 5 June 2019, MicroWiki@Discord.]

MicroWiki sector (mai·krow·wi·kee·sek·tr) *pn.* — The sector of micronations and micronationalists based around MicroWiki or one of its associated venues, such as the current MicroWiki Community Discord server, the erstwhile MicroWiki forums and MicroWiki@Discord, or the other active language-editions of the wiki. [First attested 25 December 2010 by Brian Barry, Micras forums; *MicroWiki* + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

MicroWiki sphere (mai·krow·wi·kee·sfeer) *pn.* — **now rare** Historical name for the *MicroWiki sector*. [First attested 7 May 2010, *The Micronational Dictionary* [OAM]; likely predates this, but earlier date not attested.]

MicroWiki@Discord (mai·krow·wi·kee·att·di·skord) *pn.* — 1. **historical** A major Discord server of the MicroWiki sector that existed from 17 September 2018 until its destruction on 29 January 2022, peaking at over 2,000 members; infamous for its informality and alleged unprofessionalism after late 2019. 2. **proscribed** The current official Discord server of MicroWiki, entitled MicroWiki Community, which was created after the destruction of MicroWiki@Discord and presently has over 1,200 server members. [1. Coined 17 September 2018 by Anthony Clark, as a pun for sounding like "at [as in on] Discord"; 2. coined 29 January 2022, from the server's role as the replacement (successor) to the original MicroWiki@Discord server; but proscribed by the MicroWiki Foundation member and administrator Andrew (mononymous) in order to distance the new server from the erstwhile server and its negative reputation.]

MicroWiki@Discord Era (mai·krow·wi·kee·att·di·skord·err·uh) *pn.* —

MicroWiki sector An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 17 September 2018 and 29 January 2022, categorised by the prominence and usage of the MicroWiki@Discord venue on the social networking service Discord. Preceded by the Stagnant Era (2017–2018) and succeeded by the "Modern Era" (a placeholder name for the MicroWiki community's present era). [Coined 1 July 2022 by Miles B. Huff, MicroWiki; named for the *MicroWiki@Discord* server.]

MicroWikia to microworld war

MicroWikia (mai·krow·wi·kee·uh) *pn.* — 1. **historical** The name used by the MicroWiki sector for a rival wiki claiming to be the "true MicroWiki" that existed on the wiki hosting service Wikia (now Fandom) between 14 April 2012 and 31 October 2018; now called MicroNations Fandom. 2. **obsolete** MicroWiki prior to its migration from the wiki hosting service Wikia. [1. First attested 14 April 2012, from the second sense; 2. first attested 12 April 2009, MicroWiki; blending of *MicroWiki* + *Wikia*.]

MicroWikian (mai·krow·wi·kee·uhn) — 1. *n.* **chiefly MicroWiki sector, uncommon** A micronationalist who contributes to MicroWiki—especially a regular editor—or a micronationalist from, involved in, or associated with, the MicroWiki sector. 2. *adj.* **chiefly MicroWiki sector, rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to, MicroWiki. [1. First attested 7 September 2010 by Jacobus Loki, Micras forums; *MicroWiki* + *-ian* ("hailing from; belonging to"); 2. first attested 18 October 2010 by Parker I, MicroWiki; *MicroWiki* + *-ian* ("of, like, or relating to, the specified root word").]

MicroWikiholic (mai·krow·wi·kee·ho·luhk) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, jocular, rare** One who devotes a vast amount of time to editing, or browsing, MicroWiki, or one of its associated projects. [Coined 22 June 2019 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; *MicroWiki* + *-holic* ("denotes addiction to, or dependence upon, the specified word").]

microworld (mai·krow·wurld) *n.* — **informal** The micronational world: the intermicronational community or an individual micronational community. [First attested 21 June 1999, Usenet; either *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *world* or a clipping of *micronational world*.]

microworld war (mai·krow·wurld·wor) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** A hypothetical Micronational World War in the MicroWiki sector. [Coined 6 April 2010 by Wilhelm of New Europe, MicroWiki; likely a blending of *microworld* ("micronational world: the micronational community") + *micronational war* ("armed conflict between micronations, always non-fatal and usually non-violent") or *micro-* ("a prefix denoting something related to micronationalism; micronational") + *world war* ("a war involving most of the world's macronations").]

Middle Guard to mini-nation

Middle Guard (mi·dl·gaard) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector, now rare** The generation of the MicroWiki sector in-between the Old Guard and the New Guard. [First attested 22 May 2015, MicroWiki; *middle* + *Guard*, by analogy with *Old Guard* ("the older generation of the MicroWiki community") and *New Guard* ("the newer generation of the MicroWiki community").]

midguard (mid·gaard) *n.* — **informal, MicroWiki sector, very rare** Synonym for *Middle Guard*. [First attested 28 November 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; shortening of *Middle Guard* via *mid-* ("middle") + *guard*, referring to one of three generations of the MicroWiki sector: the Old Guard, New Guard or Middle Guard.]

millination (mil·ee·nay·shn) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronation that has one thousand citizens. [Coined 23 March 2024 by Lily Jane, MicroWiki Community Discord server; *milli-* ("thousand") + *micronation*.]

mini-country (mi·nee·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **informal or non-standard, chiefly journalistic, otherwise rare** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 22 June 1997, Usenet; *mini-* (short for *miniature* "small") + *country*; compare *mini-nation* and *mini-state*.]

mini-dokuritsukoku (mi·nee·dok·uhr·its·kow·koo) *n.* — **romanisation, rare** Transliteration of Japanese *mini dokuritsu koku* "mini-independent country", also translated as *independent mini-nation*. [First attested March 1997 by Shigeru Oshimo, Kouichi Amano and Fuyuki Kumagami, *A study on the regional promotion called "The Mini Dokuritsukoku"* (page 1) as *mini dokuritsukoku*; alternate form of romaji (transliteration of Japanese characters into Latin) *minidokuritsukoku*, in which *mini* is converted into a prefix as it would be in English, from ミニ独立国].

mini-independent country (mi·nee·in·duh·pen·dnt·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *independent mini-nation*. [Coined January 1988 by *Nihongo Journal* (vol. 3, no. 1, p. 12); from Japanese *mini dokuritsu koku* ミニ独立国.]

mini-nation (mi·nee·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. **informal, jocular or endearing, chiefly journalistic** Synonym for *micronation*. 2. **very rare** Shortening of *independent mini-nation*. [1. Coined 2 March 1972 by Robert Trumbull, *The New York Times*; *mini-* (short for *miniature* "small") + *nation* (synonym for "country"), literally "miniature country"; 2. coined 1 November 1997 by Jennifer Robertson, writing for *Theory, Culture & Society* (vol. 14, no. 4).]

mini-state to M-NN

mini-state (mi·nee·stayt) *n.* — **informal, dated, rare** Synonym for *mini-nation*. [Coined 6 September 1978 by Martin Wainwright, *The Guardian*; *mini-* (short for *miniature* "small") + *state*; compare later *mini-country*.]

MMM (em·em·em) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronationalist who makes posts on various micronational discussion boards under individual pseudonymous names or identities. [Coined early 2001 by P. R. Rasmussen; initialism for *micronational man of mystery*.]

MN (em·en) — 1. *n.* **uncommon** Abbreviation for *micronation*. 2. *n.* **obsolete** Abbreviation for *micronational*. 3. *pn.* **obsolete** Synonym for *MNN* ("the domain micronations.net and the community that existed upon it"). 4. *adj.* **obsolete** Abbreviation for *micronationalism*. [1. First attested before 12 October 2000 by Thomas Leys, MicroWorld; 2. first attested before 10 April 2003, *Apollo Skyline*; 3. first attested 13 May 2002, Micronations.net; abbreviation for *Micronations.net*; 4. first attested 17 February 2003, Talk Micronations (Micronations.net).]

mnation (em·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, rare** Shortening of *micronation*. [First attested 20 December 2006, Ultimate Guitar Com; compare *mrnation*.]

mnational (em·nay·shn·uhl) *n.* — **informal, very rare** Shortening of *micronational*. [First attested 10 March 2010 as *m-national*, *The St.Charlian Observer*; compare *mnation* and see also *M* ("abbreviation for *micronation*").]

MNation (em·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, obsolete** Stylised spelling of *micronation*. [First attested 8 April 2009 by Pittori, Micras forums; probably as a stylistic portmanteau, or perhaps from a blending of *MN* ("abbreviation for *micronation*") + *nation* ("shorting of *micronation*")]; compare *mnation*.]

M-NN (em·en·en) *pn.* — **historical, obsolete** The former Micro-Nations.net discussion forum that existed between c.21 November 2004 and c.14 August 2005; maintained by Chas Jago, it was the successor to the Micro-Nations Forums (micro-nations.org; 21 January 2001–c.28 January 2002) and the predecessor to Micro-Nations.com (14 August 2005–13 August 2008). [First attested 2 February 2006, Micro-Nations.com; the addition of the hyphen (-) was to avoid confusion with the contemporaneous *MNN* ("micronations.net").]

MNN to MO

MNN (em·en·en) *pn.* — **historical, obsolete** The former web portal and forums website *micronations.net* (registered on 21 April 2001 and dissolved on 8 October 2008) and the community that existed upon it; the largest English-language micronational community between 2002 and mid-2008, categorised chiefly by its initial association with interactive geofiction (particularly the Micras sector). [First attested 29 January 2002 by Iain de Vembria; abbreviation of *MicroNations.Net.*]

MNO (em·en·oh) *pn.* — 1. **historical, now very rare** An erstwhile micronational forum, among the most popular of its time, that existed on four successive domains between 2001 and 2013: *micro-nations.org* between 21 January 2001 and c.28 January 2002; *Micro-Nations.net* between c.21 November 2004 and c.14 August 2005; *Micro-Nations.com* between 14 August 2005 and 13 August 2008; and *micronations.eu* between 14 September 2008 and (dormant on) 24 March 2013. 2. **historical, obsolete** The original, multi-purpose *micro-nations.org* website (the forums portion of the website was named the Micro-Nations Forums) created by Lars Erik that existed between September 2000 (with the forums created on 21 January 2001) and c.28 January 2002, with almost 3,000 posts made in the forums by roughly 100 registered users upon the website's dissolution. 3. **historical, obsolete** Specifically, the third incarnation of the website, *Micro-Nations.com*, maintained by Richard Shears that existed between 14 August 2005 and 13 August 2008, which received over 8,400 posts from more than 140 registered users. [1. First attested 15 September 2005, *Micro-Nations.com*; from the second sense; 2. first attested 21 January 2001 by Lars Erik; abbreviation for *MicroNations Organization*, the formal but uncommon name for *micro-nations.org*; 3. first attested 20 January 2006, *Micro-Nations.com*; from the second sense.]

MNOist (em·en·oh·ist) *n.* — **historical, obsolete** A person who used the (now former) *Micro-Nations.com* discussion forum that existed between 14 August 2005 and 13 August 2008. [First attested 25 August 2007, *Micro-Nations.com*; *MNO* ("abbreviation for *Micro-Nations.com*") + *-ist* ("one who uses the specified root word").]

MO (em·oh) *n.* — **obsolete** Initialism for *micronational organisation*. [First attested 25 June 2002, *Talk Micronations* (*Micronations.net*); see also *IMO* ("intermicronational organisation").]

model country to modelist

model country (maa·dl·kuhn·tree) *n.* — 1. Synonym for *micronation*. 2.

obsolete A micronation that intends to simulate a sovereign state while having no intention of being legally or diplomatically recognised; a simulationist micronation. [1. First attested 27 December 1998 by Anthony Skaggs, Usenet; from the second sense; 2. coined 1979 by Erwin S. Strauss, *How to Start Your Own Country* (page 28); referring to micronations as being *models* (replicas) of macronations.]

model micronation (maa·dl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *model country*. [First attested 10 February 2009 by Alexander Reinhardt, MicroWiki; redundant derivation from *model country* + *micronation*.]

model nation (maa·dl·nay·shn) *n.* — **now rare** Synonym for *model country*. [First attested by 7 December 1998, *What Are Micronations?* (Nova Roma); ultimately from *model country*, probably using *nation* as a synonym for *country*.]

model state (maa·dl·stayt) *n.* — **now rare** Synonym for *model country*. [First attested by 7 December 1998, *What Are Micronations?* (Nova Roma); ultimately from *model country*, using *state* as a synonym for *country*.]

modelling (maa·duhl·uhng) *vb.* — **Lusophone sector English, obsolete** The practicing of modelism. [First attested 9 January 2001, Usenet; from Portuguese *modelagem*, coined 1997 by Pedro Aguiar; *país modelo* ("model country") + *-agem* ("-ing: denoting an action"), ultimately from English *model country* ("a micronation that intends to simulate a sovereign state while having no intention of being legally or diplomatically recognised; a simulationist micronation").]

modelism (maa·duhl·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, uncommon** The combination of geofiction, or fictionalised history (called a "saga"), with physical micronationalism. [First attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *modelismo*, ostensibly coined 1997 by Pedro Aguiar, from *modelo* ("model; replica") + *-ismo* ("-ism: a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"); influenced by English *model country* ("a micronation that intends to simulate a sovereign state while having no intention of becoming legally or diplomatically recognised; a simulationist micronation").]

modelist to modern micronationalism

modelist (maa·duhl·ist) — **Lusophone sector English, rare** 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for modelism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, modelism. [1. First attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *modelista*, first attested 10 October 1998 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from *modelismo* ("modelism: the combination of geofiction, or fictionalised history, with physical micronationalism") + *-ista* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *modelista*, first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; from *modelismo* + *-ista* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

moderate secessionism (mo·duh·rayt·suh·seh·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *medium secessionism* ("a form of secessionism in which a micronation makes earnest efforts to act like, and publicly present themselves as, a sovereign state while still adhering to macronational privilege and privately holding the view that becoming internationally recognised as independent is implausible or, regrettably, futile"). [First attested 23 October 2018, Facebook; *moderate* ("an intermediate or average position; not excessive nor reserved") + *secessionism* ("a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

moderate secessionist (mo·duh·ruht·suh·seh·shn·ist) *n.* — **rare** One who supports, or advocates for, moderate secessionism. [First attested 11 February 2020 by Ivan Brienović, MicroWiki@Discord; *moderate* ("an intermediate or average position; not excessive nor reserved") + *secessionist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, secessionism, which is a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

modern micronationalism (mo·drn·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ɪ·zm) *n.* — 1. Micronationalism in the modern sense. 2. Micronationalism since the early 1960s or early 1970s, especially during and after the Seasteading Era (1964–1972). 3. **now uncommon, particularly historically** Micronationalism since the emergence of micronations on the Internet commencing in 1995; Internet micronationalism. 4. **MicroWiki sector, rare** Micronationalism since late 2008 and early 2009, categorised by the rise of MicroWiki, classical micropatriology and the MicroWiki sector. [1. See the following etymologies: 2. first attested 20 March 2012 by Frank Jacobs, *The New York Times*; 3. first attested 16 May 1998, Usenet; 4. first attested 18 January 2021 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, MicroWiki.]

MOF Games to MRT

MOF Games (mof·gaymz) *pn.* — **informal** The eSports Games: an annual, online intermicronational multi-sporting event—inspired by the macronational Olympic Games—that has been hosted by the Micronational Olympic Federation (MOF) since its foundation on 7 January 2018; organised via the instant messaging social media platform Discord. [First attested 9 February 2018 by Nicholas Randouler, MicroWiki; *MOF* ("abbreviation for the Micronational Olympic Federation") + *games* ("a planned, competitive activity"), in the plural form to indicate multiple (annual) editions; perhaps by analogy with the *Olympic Games* ("intermacronational multi-sporting event, held every four years between over 200 macronational entities"); see also *Microlympics* ("a generic name for an intermicronational multi-sporting event").]

Molossolini (muh·loss·uh·lee·nee) *n.* — The signature drink of the Republic of Molossia, made from Sprite, pineapple juice, oranges, grenadine, cherries and slices of banana and pineapple. [Coined September 2012 in the Republic of Molossia; blending of *Molossia* + *martini* ("informally, any drink served in a cocktail glass"), with the addition of *ol* to ease the pronunciation.]

Montevideo (mon·tuh·vuh·day·oh) *pn.* — **informal, rare** The Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States: a 1933 macronational treaty defining the criteria for statehood, widely-used by micronationalists as a means of justification for their own sovereignty. [First attested in micronationalism on 29 October 2015, MicroWiki; clipping of *Montevideo Convention*, unveiled 26 December 1933 and ultimately named for the eponymous Uruguayan city in which the treaty was signed.]

motive micropatriology (mow·tuhv·mai·krow·pat·ri·uh·luh·jee) *n.* — **micropatriology, very rare** A micropatriological theory or concept meant to supersede classical micropatriology by replacing the one-dimensional scale between simulationism and secessionism with a two-dimensional chart—based on the political compass—with weakly or strongly ludic or narrative (left to right axis); and hobby or achievement (top to bottom axis). [Coined 3 March 2021 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, *Introducing motive micropatriology*.]

mrnation (em·ar·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, rare** Shortening of *micronation*. [First attested 1 April 2007, Google Groups; compare *mnation*.]

MRT (em·ar·tee) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** Initialism for *mutual recognition treaty*. [First attested 3 November 2019, MicroWiki.]

multimicronational to MW@Discord

multimicronational / **multi-micronational** (muhl·tee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al)
adj — **rare** Involving two or more micronations; intermicronational. [First attested 1 April 2001, micro-nations.org; *multi-* ("multiple") + *micronational*, perhaps by analogy with *multinational* ("involving two or more macronations").]

mutual recognition treaty (myoo·choo·uhl·reh·kuhg·ni·shn·tree·tee) *n.* — **somewhat informal** Synonym for *treaty of mutual recognition*. [First attested in micronationalism on 14 July 2006, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums.]

MW (em·duh·buhl·yoo) *pn.* — 1. **chiefly MicroWiki sector** Abbreviation for *MicroWiki* ("an online encyclopaedia and wiki founded on 27 May 2005 by Fabian Schneider, dedicated to documenting all aspects of micronationalism; the largest micronational wiki and most-visited intermicronational website"). 2. **obsolete** Abbreviation for *MicroWorld*, a defunct, influential micronational web portal, discussion board, news service, parliament and monthly magazine run by Thomas Leys that existed between 10 January and about December 1998; succeeded by the less successful *Micronations Today*, an intermicronational web directory and news publication, that existed between January 2001 and February 2002. [1. First attested 8 December 2009 by Alexander Reinhardt, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 10 January 1999 by Thomas Leys, Usenet; both senses are initialisms.]

MW@D (em·duh·buhl·yoo·att·dee) *pn.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector, informal** Abbreviation for *MicroWiki@Discord*. [First attested 10 June 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; analysable as *MW* ("initialism for *MicroWiki*") + *-@D* ("clipping of *@Discord*")]; see also *MWD*.]

MW@Discord (em·duh·buhl·yoo·att·di·skord) *pn.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector, informal** Abbreviation for *MicroWiki@Discord*; *MW@D*. [First attested 2 April 2020 by Adam Belcher, MicroWiki@Discord; probably a clipping of *MicroWiki@Discord*, but analysable as *MW* ("initialism for *MicroWiki*") + *-@Discord* ("applied to the name of a micronational server on the instant messaging social media platform Discord").]

MWC to nanonationalism

MWC (em·duh·buhl·yoo·see) — 1. *pn.* **rare** Abbreviation for *Micronational* (or *Micronations*) *World Cup*: a generic name for an intermicronational footballing —soccer—tournament, usually held over the Internet. 2. *n.* **MicroWiki sector, obsolete** Abbreviation for *MicroWiki community*. [1. First attested March 2008, Micronations.Net; by analogy with the *FIFA World Cup* ("an international men's association football competition between macronational teams, held every four years since 1930"); 2. first attested October 2017 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, *The Intermicronational Association: An introduction* (page 2); initialism.]

MWD (em·duh·buhl·yoo·dee) *pn.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector, uncommon** Alternative form of *MW@D*. [First attested 2 November 2020, MicroWiki@Discord.]

MWDS (em·duh·buhl·yoo·dee·ehs) *n.* — **obsolete** Abbreviation for *micronational war denial syndrome*. [First attested 9 August 2000 by Shane T. Odlum, Usenet; initialism.]

MWW (em·dub·al·yoo·dub·al·yoo) *n.* — **very rare** Abbreviation for *Micronational World War* ("a hypothetical world war between micronations"). [First attested 12 October 2020 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; by analogy with *WWI* ("World War I") and *WWII* ("World War II").]

nanonation (na·no·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A micronation that claims independence from another micronation, but is not recognised as such by its parent micronation. 2. A micronation landlocked within another micronation. [1. First attested 3 July 2018 by Aaron Penyami, Amino; 2. first attested 19 October 2016 by Max I of the Kingdom of Jupiter, MicroWiki forums; *nano-* (unit prefix below *micro-* meaning "one billionth") + *micronation*.]

nanonational (na·no·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **very rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to a nanonation or aspect of nanonationalism. [Coined 11 December 2022 by Eshaan I of Timonouciland, MicroWikiDictionary; *nanonation* + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

nanonationalism (na·no·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* — **very rare** The association with nanonations or nanonational culture as a whole. [Coined 11 December 2022 by Eshaan I of Timonouciland, MicroWikiDictionary; *nanonational* + *-ism* ("an association with, or relation to, the root word").]

nation to New Guard

nation (nay·shn) *n.* — 1. Shortening of *micronation*. 2. Synonym for *macronation*. 3. **rare, in the plural** Micronations and macronations, considered collectively. [1. First attested 20 October 1996 by Jason Richard Buckner, Usenet; 2. synonym for *country* predating micronationalism; from Middle English *nacioun*, in turn from Old French *nacion*, from Latin *nātiō*, from Proto-Italic **gnātjō*; 3. first attested 14 October 1997, Usenet.]

nationette (nay·shn·et) *n.* — **endearing, obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*. [First attested 14 August 1999, Usenet; *nation* + *-ette* ("diminutive for a smaller version of something"); literally "miniature country"; perhaps influenced by the nickname for Talossa in Talossan English, *nationette*, first attested October 1993.]

NationStates (nay·shn·stayts) *pn.* — **trademark** A free, online text-based government simulation game launched in 2002 in which the player controls their own fictional country, subsequently the source of many future micronationalists. [Created 13 November 2002 by Max Barry; either from *nation-state* ("a political entity, usually sovereign, associated with a single or dominant culture or identity") or *nation* ("synonym for *country*") + *state* ("a sovereign or self-governing (to some extent) political entity").]

network state (net·wrk·stayt) *n.* — **neologism** A hypothetical online community of action, based around the concept of the metaverse, that crowdfunds physical territory around the world in order to eventually become large enough in size to either declare independence or gain diplomatic recognition from a sovereign entity. [Coined 10 July 2022 by Balaji Srinivasan, *The Network State*; *network* ("an interconnected group") + *state*.]

new country (new·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **informal, now rare** Clipping of *new country project*. [Coined 1979 by Erwin S. Strauss as *new-country*, *How to Start Your Own Country* (page III).]

new country project (new·kuhn·tree·pruh·jekt) *n.* — Synonym for *micronation*, especially one with secessionist aspirations. [Coined 1979 by Erwin S. Strauss as *new-country project*, *How to Start Your Own Country* (page 6); so-called as a *project* ("endeavour") to create a *new country*.]

New Guard (new·gaard) *pn.* — 1. **MicroWiki sector** The newer generation of the MicroWiki sector. 2. **MicroWiki sector, historical, obsolete** The generation of micronationalists who joined MicroWiki in or after the Post-Lethler Era in late July 2010. [April 2011, MicroWiki; *new* + *Old Guard* ("the generation of micronationalists who joined MicroWiki before the Post-Lethler Era around early August 2010").]

new nation to non-macronational

new nation (new·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, uncommon** Clipping of *new nation project*. [First attested 28 August 2006, Micro-Nations.com.]

new nation project (new·nay·shn·pruhj·ekt) *n.* — Synonym for *new country project*. [First attested 15 November 1999, Usenet; from *new country project*, using *nation* as a synonym for *country*.]

New Prussia (new·pruh·shuh) — 1. *pn.* The most common name for a micronation, with over 32 having bore this name. 2. *n.* A placeholder name for a micronation. [1. First attested 6 June 2011, List of Micronations Forum; *new* ("used in place-names to indicate an area named after a place that already exists or has previously existed") + *Prussia* ("a German monarchist state that existed between 1525 and 1947, though its monarchy was abolished in 1918"); 2. first attested 24 February 2019, MicroWiki@Discord; from the first sense, chosen due to its commonality; compare the macronational *John Smith* ("a placeholder name for a person").]

New Secessionism (new·suh·seh·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **micropatriology, rare** A theory or micropatriological position which holds that, while micronations will likely never be recognised as macronations and actively striving for such a goal is ultimately fruitless, micronations may still be used as frameworks to provide services or protection to a small group of individuals and help build a collective sense of identity. [Coined before 15 January 2018 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood; so-called because Lyra intended this form of secessionism to succeed traditional, micronational *secessionism*.]

New Secessionist (new·suh·seh·shn·ist) — **micropatriology, rare** 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for New Secessionism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, New Secessionism. [Both senses coined 15 January 2018 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood; 1. *New Secessionism* + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. *New Secessionism* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

no man micronation (no·man·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologism** A micronation which no longer has any citizens because all citizens departed without the micronation being formally disestablished. [Coined 12 January 2023 by Mona Ghazvini, MicroWiki; by analogy with *one man micronation*.]

non-macronational (non·mak·row·nay·shn·al) *n.* — **very rare** Not macronational, unrelated to macronationalism; micronational. [First attested 24 August 2020 by Hasan Çakar, national website of Hasanistan; *non-* ("not") + *macronational*.]

non-micronation to Norties

non-micronation (non·mai·krow·nay·shn) — 1. *n.* **uncommon** An entity which is distinct from a micronation; a non-micronational entity. 2. *adj.* **rare** Unrelated to a micronation or aspect of micronationalism. [1. First attested 20 August 2004 by Alexandra Decens, Micras forums; 2. first attested before 17 October 1996, League of Secessionist States; both senses from *non-* ("not") + *micronation*.]

non-micronational (non·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *n.* — Not micronational, unrelated to micronationalism; macronational. [First attested 16 May 1998, Usenet; *non-* ("not") + *micronational*.]

non-micronationalism (non·mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·i·zm) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *macronationalism*. [First attested 1 March 2017 by Dimitrije Golubović, MicroWiki; *non-* ("not") + *micronationalism*.]

non-micronationalist (non·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) — 1. *n.* **uncommon** A person not involved with micronationalism. 2. *adj.* **very rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to an aspect of macronationalism; macronational. [1. First attested 8 June 2005 in *Qator Itrins* (vol. 2, no. 5, p. 4); *non-* ("not") + *micronationalist* ("one who participates in micronationalism"); 2. first attested 1 September 2007 by Tsar Rudolfven, Micras forums; *non-* ("not") + *micronationalist* ("synonym for *micronational*").]

non-micronationally (non·mai·krow·nay·shn·uh·lee) *adj.* — **very rare** In a non-micronational manner; macronationally. [First attested 2 June 2021 by Mabel Elson, MicroWiki@Discord; *non-* ("not") + *micronationally*.]

non-Official World (non·uh·fi·shl·wurd) *pn.* — **Cesidian, obsolete** The Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Worlds; the micronational community, as opposed to the macronational world. [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 11 June 2009, PRLog; *non-* ("not") + *Official World* ("the macronational community").]

non-territorial micronation (non·teh·ruh·taw·ree·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — A micronation that claims no physical territory. [First attested 2 October 1999, Usenet.]

Norties (nor·tees) *n.* — **informal, obsolete** The Norton Awards: an erstwhile set of awards presented for yearly excellence in micronationalism, hosted by the Republic of Molossia in 2001, 2002 and 2005. [First attested 7 January 2001, *Washiawa Post-Citizen*; *Norton* (from *Norton Awards*) + *-ie* ("a suffix that forms diminutives or affectionate forms of nouns"), in the plural form (as with the formal name, Norton Awards) because multiple awards or award categories are bestowed; perhaps by analogy with similar terms such as the *Oscars* ("the Academy Awards: an annual award ceremony for the year's best in cinema").]

Norton to one man micronation

Norton (nor·tn) *pn.* — **toponym** A common placename in micronationalism.

[First attested 2000 in *Norton Park*, a public park in the Republic of Molossia; named for Joshua Abraham Norton (c.1814/1818–8 January 1880), better known as Emperor Norton, self-proclaimed "Emperor of the United States"; despite not being considered a micronationalist, Norton was connected to micronationalism by Kevin Baugh in January 2000; ultimately from Old English *norþ* ("north") + *tūn* ("settlement").]

NPG (en·pee·gee) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, rare** The nation page guide: a series of related example articles on MicroWiki about different article topics (such as a micronation or biography) with fictitious content, intended to serve as illustrative exemplary guides for real content articles on the wiki. [First attested 23 August 2022 by Matthew Laptev, MicroWiki; initialism.]

NSI (en·ehs·ai) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, rare** Abbreviation for *non-standard infobox*: on MicroWiki, an infobox (table of information) template made from manually-constructed wikitext and syntax instead of a simplified preset template, which thus needs to be replaced. [Coined 5 December 2021 by Matthew Laptev, MicroWiki; initialism.]

O (oh) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronational classification issued by the erstwhile International Micropatrological Society for micronations deemed by the society as unbefitting of their other classifications, particularly consisting of seasteading micronations—"other". [First attested 28 March 1976, *The New York Times*, though the Micropatrological Society was founded in 1973; see also *B* ("bogus"), *E* ("extinct"), *F* ("fictional") and *T* ("traditional").]

Official World (uh·fi·shl·wurld) *pn.* — **Cesidian, obsolete** The macronational community, as opposed to the non-Official World ("the micronational community"). [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 5 April 2004, Fifth World Council (MSN group).]

Old Guard (old·gaard) *pn.* — 1. **MicroWiki sector** The older generation of the MicroWiki sector. 2. **MicroWiki sector, historical, obsolete** The generation of micronationalists who joined MicroWiki before the Post-Lethler Era around early August 2010. [April 2011, MicroWiki; from *old guard* ("more conservative and unwilling to accept new ideas compared to one's peers").]

one man micronation (wuhn·man·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — A micronation with only one citizen or a single active participant. [First attested 8 March 1997 by Fabrice O'Driscoll, Usenet; from adjective *one-man* ("operated by only one person").]

one man nation to paple

one man nation (wuhn·man·nay·shn) *n.* — Shortening of *one man micronation*. [First attested 21 January 1997 by Pedro Aguiar, "The Truth" (e-mail).]

online micronation (ohn·line·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — Synonym for *cyber micronation* ("a micronation that does not claim any physical territory, instead laying claim to, or being based around, the Internet or the World Wide Web, such as through social media"). [First attested 8 May 1998, Usenet; from *online* ("available on the Internet").]

pan-micronational (pan·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **rare** Synonym for *intermicronational*. [First attested 25 August 2001, Nautilus Free State (GeoCities); *pan-* ("all encompassing") + *micronational*.]

pan-micronationalism (pan·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·izm) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *intermicronationalism*. [First attested 16 September 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *pan-* ("all encompassing") + *micronationalism*, perhaps by analogy with *pan-nationalism*.]

pan-micronationalist (pan·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) *adj.* — **very rare** Synonym for *pan-micronational*. [First attested 2 February 2006, Micro-Nations.com; *pan-* ("all encompassing") + *micronationalist* (adjective: "of, denoting, or pertaining to, an aspect of micronationalism; micronational").]

paper doll (pay·pr·dol) *n.* — **obsolete** An alternative pseudonymous online account, especially one used for abuse; a sockpuppet; an alt. [First attested 2 February 2001 by Shah Babak Kapav Mehr, League of Micronations Discussion Email list; from *paper doll* ("a fictional character, drawn on a strip of paper, that was said to be a sentient citizen of the Kingdom of Porto Claro"), first attested online on 21 January 1997 by Pedro Aguiar, "The Truth" (e-mail), but ultimately coined mid-1993 by Leandro Riente; so-called after Porto Claro was exposed for using false online accounts named after the paper dolls that were publicly presented as real people; related to *paple*; see also *Catan*, *Erusia* and *wax cabinet*.]

paple (pay·puhl) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *paper doll* ("an alternative pseudonymous online account, especially one used for abuse; a sockpuppet; an alt"). [First attested 28 November 2001 by Fernando de la Mora and Bruno Cava, *Paple Joint Resolution of the League of Micronations*; from an alternative plural form of *paper doll*, influenced by *paple* ("fictional characters drawn on strips of paper (called paper dolls) which were once citizens of the Kingdom of Porto Claro"), coined mid-1993 by Leandro Riente.]

paplism to peculiarism

paplism (pay·puhl·r·zm) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, dated, rare** The act of using paper dolls. [First attested 28 November 2001 by Fernando de la Mora and Bruno Cava, *Paple Joint Resolution of the League of Micronations*; from Portuguese *paplismo*, from *paple* ("synonym for *paper doll*: an alternative pseudonymous online account, especially one used for abuse; a sockpuppet or an alt") + *-ismo* ("-ism: a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

parallel plane theory (peh·ruh·lel·playn·thee·ur·ee) *n.* — **micropatriology** A micropatriological position or theory which holds that micronations and macronations exist on separate, figurative parallel planes whereby their duties and responsibilities do not intersect nor overlap. [Coined 18 August 2017 by Jordan Brizendine, *Resolution on Micronational Sovereignty*.]

parent macronation (peh·ruhnt·mak·row·nay·shn) *n.* — The macronation in which a particular micronation is located. [First attested 5 August 2016 by u/Finn333, r/micronations (Reddit); *parent* ("owner; originator") + *macronation*.]

patroller (puh·trowl·uhr) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, historical, now uncommon** A former position and role on the MicroWiki online encyclopaedia and wiki which granted users accredited permission to nominate articles for deletion and access to a now-defunct moderation log wherein edits by newly-created user accounts had to first be approved. [Coined before 11 October 2010, MicroWiki; *patrol* ("to oversee an area at regular intervals for the purpose of keeping watch to protect or guard it") + *-er* ("a person who engages in, or does, the specified action").]

peculiarism (puh·kyoo·lee·ur·r·zm) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, obsolete** A micropatriological position which holds that, while a micronation may physically exist, it should still be able to have exaggerated or fictionalised elements, especially for recreation or entertainment; contrasts derivatism. [First attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *peculiarismo*, first attested 10 October 1998 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website), in-turn from English *peculiarism* ("an ideology in the Kingdom of Talossa which held that Talossa should prioritise frivolousness and fun over realism and secessionism"), coined 1 July 1989 by Dan Lorentz; ultimately from *peculiar* ("strange; unusual; weird") + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"); so-called for the ideology's prioritisation of peculiarity.]

peculiarist to piconation

peculiarist (puh·kyoo·lee·ur·ist) — **Lusophone sector English, obsolete** 1. *adj.*

Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for peculiarism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, peculiarism. [1. First attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *peculiarista*, first attested 10 October 1998 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website), in-turn from English *peculiarist* ("pertaining to peculiarism: an ideology in the Kingdom of Talossa which held that Talossa should prioritise frivolousness and fun over realism and secessionism"), coined 1 July 1989 by Dan Lorentz; ultimately from *peculiarism* ("aforementioned Talossan ideology") + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *peculiarista*, first attested October 1998, As *Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM], in-turn from English *peculiarist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, peculiarism: an ideology in the Kingdom of Talossa which held that Talossa should prioritise frivolousness and fun over realism and secessionism"), coined 1 July 1989 by Dan Lorentz; ultimately from *peculiarism* ("aforementioned Talossan ideology") + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

phantom nation (fan·tm·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *micronation*.

[First attested 12 May 2003, *List of Micronations that Could Have Issued Stamps*; *phantom* ("an illusion; something seen or sensed but not existing in reality") + *nation* ("a micronation").]

philosophy of micronationalism (fuh·lo·suh·fee·ov·mai·krow·nay·shn·uhl·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **formal, academic, very rare** Micropatriology, especially when

approached from a philosophical or theoretical standpoint. [First attested 6 September 2003, Google Groups; from *philosophy* ("body of advanced knowledge, learning or scholarship").]

phonia (fown·ee·uh) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, obsolete** Synonym for

linguistic sector. [First attested 8 October 2007, Google Groups; from Portuguese *fonía* ("linguistic sector"), first attested 15 September 2006 by Pedro Aguiar, Wikimicropédia; from *fonía* ("timbre or sound of the voice"); compare the English suffixes *-phony* ("nouns relating to sound structure") and *-phone* ("speaking a certain language").]

piconation (pik·oh·nay·shn) *n.* — **jocular, neologism** A nanonation which

claims independence from another nanonation, but is not recognised as such by its parent nanonation; a nanonation landlocked within another nanonation.

[First attested 28 March 2020 by Sertor Valentinus, MicroWiki@Discord; *pico-* (unit prefix below *nano-* meaning "one trillionth") + *micronation*, by analogy with *nanonation*.]

plush nation to postclassical micropatriology

plush nation (pluhsh·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, rare** Synonym for *plush toy micronation*. [First attested 13 August 2018, Lilylandian Broadcast Corporation; *plush* ("a stuffed, plush toy; a plushie") + *nation* ("a micronation").]

plush toy micronation (pluhsh·toy·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **somewhat formal, rare** A micronation that grants citizenship to plush toys, usually while pretending that said plush toys can hold offices and make sentiment decisions in said micronation. [First attested 5 March 2022 by Nicolas Caiazzo, MicroWiki.]

Polarised Era (po·lar·ai·zd·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 27 May 2014 and 7 May 2017, categorised by further political polarisation, demographical divisions and growing inactivity. Preceded by the Settled Era (2012–2014) and succeeded by the Stagnant Era (2017–2018). [Coined 18 October 2018 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; so-called for the this time period's *polarisation* ("disunity").]

PoliNation (po·li·nay·shn; po·luh·nay·shn) *pn.* — **trademark** A reoccurring micronational summit that occurred in Australia in 2010, the United Kingdom in 2012 and Italy in 2015, with numerous cancelled future editions. [Coined by Judy Lattas; first attested before 22 November 2009, List of Micronations Forum; from *pollination* ("the process of pollen entering a flower so that it produces seeds"), so called for "a process of bringing together many new nations, enabling fertilisation and reproduction"; but also said to be from *poly-* ("many; multiple") + *nation*, because it is a multi-micronational summit; see also *Micro Euro Summit* and *MicroCon*.]

postclassical micropatriology (post·kla·si·kal·mai·krow·pat·ri·uh·luh·jee) *n.* — **micropatriology, very rare** A micropatriological position that regards simulationism as equally as legitimate as secessionism, holding that defining whether or not a micronation's culture is constructed or organic should be an important distinguishing factor within micronationalism. [Coined 4 March 2021 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, MicroWiki; *post-* ("after") + *classical micropatriology* ("the paradigm of micronationalism and micropatriology that places micronations on a two-dimensional scale between simulationism (not actively seeking independence) and secessionism (actively seeking independence)"), so-called because Lyra intended for this ideology to supersede classical micropatriology.]

Post-Lethler Era to Present Era

Post-Lethler Era (powst·lef·luor·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 30 July 2010 and 5 September 2011, categorised by the exposure of Robert Lethler as a fraud and the subsequent decline of the Grand Unified Micronational in favour of the Organisation of Active Micronations, followed by said organisation's own decline. Preceded by the Lethler Era (2009–2010) and succeeded by the Inter-Summit Era (2011–2012). [c.April 2011, perhaps by Aldrich Lucas or Parker I of Secundomia, MicroWiki; *post-* ("after") + *Lethler* + *Era*, but also analysable as *post-* ("after") + *Lethler Era* ("the previous Era of MicroWiki history"), both ultimately named for Robert *Lethler*; see also *Lethlerism* and *Lethlerist*.]

post-micronational (post·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **uncommon**

Commencing or occurring after the existence, or involvement of, a micronation or micronations. [First attested 1 December 2000, Eudaimonia; *post-* ("after") + *micronational*.]

pre-micronation (pree·mai·krow·nay·shn) — 1. *adj.* **rare** Synonym for *pre-micronational* ("existing, commencing or occurring before an aspect of micronationalism; of macronational history or origin"). 2. *n.* **very rare**

Synonym for *proto-micronation*. [1. First attested 14 November 2016 by Adam I of Adammia, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 26 April 2019, MicroWiki@Discord; both senses from *pre-* ("before") + *micronation*.]

pre-micronational (pree·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **uncommon** Existing, commencing or occurring before an aspect of micronationalism; of macronational history or origin. [First attested 21 November 2012, MicroNations Fandom; *pre-* ("before") + *micronational*.]

pre-micronationalism (pree·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **rare**

Characteristic of that which is pre-micronational. [First attested 9 February 2015, MicroWiki; *pre-* ("before") + *micronationalism*.]

Present Era (preh·zent·eer·uh) *pn.* — **neologism** The provisional designation for the present era of micronationalism in micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye's eras. Ongoing since 2010, it is categorised by the normalisation of micronational summits, the popularity of MicroWiki, and the hegemony of social networking services utilised by micronationalists, such as Discord, Twitter, Reddit (especially r/micronations) and Facebook. Follows the Internet Era (1996–2009). [Coined 23 May 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; from *present* ("current; now").]

project nation to pseudo-micronational

project nation (pruh·ject·nay·shn) *n.* — Synonym for *micronation*, especially one that has secessionist aspirations; a new country project. [First attested by 30 June 2002 by Kevin Baugh, *How to Start Your Own Country* (on the official website of the Republic of Molossia); from *project* ("a planned endeavour with a specified purpose and end goal") + *nation* ("synonym for *country*"), inferring an endeavour to create a recognised or fully-functioning country.]

pro-micronation (pro·mai·krow·nay·shn) *adj.* — **rare** In support of, or favourable to, micronations or micronationalism. [First attested 18 September 2004, Wikipedia; *pro-* ("supporting; in favour of") + *micronation*.]

proto-micronation (pro·tow·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **uncommon** A micronational entity; a political entity that closely resembles a micronation, but is ultimately considered to be distinct from such, especially the predecessor state to a micronation. [First attested 4 June 2009, List of Micronations Forum; *proto-* ("an early, ancestral stage of development") + *micronation*.]

proto-micronational (pro·tow·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **very rare** Of, denoting, or pertaining to a proto-micronation. [First attested sometime between 19 April 2012 and 27 October 2013, MicroWiki; *proto-micronation* + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

proto-micronationalist (pro·tow·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) *n.* — **rare** A person who closely resembled a micronationalist prior to the conceptualisation of what would be considered modern micronationalism; the leader, or citizen of, a proto-micronation. [First attested 5 March 2016 by Yaroslav Mar, Micronations and Alternative Polities (Facebook); *proto-* ("an early, ancestral stage of development") + *micronationalist*.]

pseudo-micronation (syoo·doh·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. **rare** A proto-micronation or micronational entity; a political entity that closely resembles a micronation, but is ultimately considered to be distinct from such. 2.

derogatory, usually offensive, rare Synonym for *micronation*. [1. First attested 22 May 2010, MicroWiki; 2. first attested 19 January 2010, Typology Central; both senses from *pseudo-* ("not true; false; fake") + *micronation*.]

pseudo-micronational (syoo·doh·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **rare** Apparently, but not actually, micronational; resembling an aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 9 January 2021, MicroWiki@Discord; *pseudo-* ("not true; false; fake") + *micronational*.]

puppet micronation to Quorum

puppet micronation (puh·puht·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **chiefly Discord sector, rare** A micronation puppet state; a micronation that is formally or

nominally independent but in reality completely dependent upon, or subject to, the orders of another micronation. [First attested 24 December 2020, MicroWiki; from *puppet state* ("a macronational government that is formally independent, but actually wholly controlled by a foreign power"), ultimately from *puppet* ("a toy model of a person or animal, able to be moved by hand with built-in mechanisms or strings") so as to insinuate that the government is a hypothetical puppet capable of being controlled by strings or a rod, the controller being the foreign power.]

quasi-micronation (kwaw·zee·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **rare** Synonym for *micronational entity*. [First attested 2 August 2003, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *quasi-* ("almost; resembling") + *micronation*.]

quasi-micronational (kwaw·zee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **formal, rare** Synonym for *micronation-like*. [First attested 1 January 2015 by Philip Hayward and Susie Khamis, *Fleeting and Partial Autonomy: A historical account of quasi-micronational initiatives on Lundy Island and their contemporary reconfiguration on MicroWiki*; *quasi-* ("almost; resembling") + *micronational*.]

Quorum (quo·ruhm) — 1. *pn.* **Grand Unified Micronational jargon, MicroWiki sector, sometimes preceded by "the"** The Quorum of Delegates: the principal assembly forum of the Grand Unified Micronational, hosted since late 2018 in a chatroom on the instant messaging social media service Discord. 2. *n.* **chiefly Grand Unified Micronational jargon** An individual session hosted at said assembly. [1. First attested 18 May 2009 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki; familiar shortening of *Quorum of Delegates*, first attested 12 April 2009 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki, but probably coined by GUM Chairman Calvin Koolidge or GUM founder Jacob Tierney; ultimately from *quorum* ("the minimum number of participants required at an assembly in order to make the meeting allowed to commence"), first attested 1616 by John Row, *Historie of the Kirk of Scotland*; 2. first attested 26 April 2009 by Robert Lethler, MicroWiki; from *Quorum of Delegates*; see also *24 Hour Quorum*.]

r/micronations to Reddit sector

r/micronations (ar·slash·mai·krow·nay·shns) — 1. *pn.* **Internet** A subreddit (forum) dedicated to micronationalism hosted on the news aggregation and discussion website Reddit, with over 10,000 registered users. 2. *n.* **metonym** The Reddit sector. [1. *r/* ("prefix for a subreddit") + *micronations*; created 10 June 2009 by the user u/Nowell; 2. first attested 13 April 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; from the first sense.]

Randouler (ran·dol·uhr) *pn.* — **toponym, MicroWiki sector** A common placename within micronationalism. [First attested as a placename on 8 June 2020 by Suzuki Leōcor in *Randouler's Way*, an unpaved road in the defunct Empire of New Providence; from Nicholas *Randouler* (15 December 2004–3 June 2020), founder of the erstwhile Principality of Posaf and a prominent micronationalist in the MicroWiki sector, for whom several places are named in his honour; from *Randouler*, a pseudonym created by Randouler himself by 23 January 2018 for privacy, adapted from his middle name, *Randolph* + *-er*.]

real country (reel·kuhn·tree) *n.* — **informal, possibly mildly offensive** Synonym for *macronation*. [First attested 18 January 2000, Usenet.]

real micronation (reel·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — A secessionist, serious or territorial micronation, as opposed to an online, non-secessionist (simulationist), unserious or fictional one. [First attested 27 April 2004 by DJ Clayworth, Wikipedia; *real* ("actual, true, authentic, genuine") + *micronation*, insinuating that simulationist, online, unserious or fictional micronational entities are not truly (real) micronations; thus, the word is often viewed as offensive to those excluded from its classification; see also *fake micronation*, *traditional micronation* and *LARP*.]

recwar (rehk·wor) *n.* — **obsolete** A form of mutual micronational warfare in which two micronations engage in an organised, geofictional or online conflict (such as through text or via a video game) as an alternative to cyber warfare or other harmful actions. [First attested 16 October 2002, Talk Micronations (Micronations.net); blending of *recreational war* or *recreational warfare*.]

Reddit sector (reh·duht·sek·tr) *pn.* — 1. A sector based around the social news aggregation and internet forum service Reddit, generally categorised by its association with the Discord sector. 2. **metonym, MicroWiki sector, dated** Specifically, the subreddit forum r/micronations. [1. First attested 29 October 2019 by Simon Reeve, MicroWiki@Discord; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture"); 2. first attested 23 September 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; from the first sense.]

ronation to seasteader

ronation (row·nay·shn) *n.* — A cyber micronation that operates—or purports to operate—on the sandbox video game Roblox. [First attested in micronationalism on 19 February 2021, Twitter; blending of *Roblox* + *nation*.]

safeguarding (sayf·gaar·duhng) — 1. *n.* **often jocular or ironic, MicroWiki**

sector, now dated A word used to criticise, lampoon or mock the MicroWiki administration, its policies, or alleged hypocrisy. 2. *interj.* **often jocular or**

ironic, MicroWiki sector, now dated An exclamation used to call out something considered unsafe or harmful, especially in regards to micronationalism or MicroWiki. [1. First attested 31 January 2021, MicroWiki@Discord; 2. first attested 3 December 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; both senses from the MicroWiki administration's then-frequent use of the term, first attested 31 July 2020 by administrator and MicroWiki owner Jonathan I of Austenasia, from British English *safeguarding* ("measures to protect the health, rights and well-being of individuals, especially young people and vulnerable adults").]

Sealand (see·land) *pn.* — **uncommon** A placeholder name for a micronation, used predominantly on micronational websites and documents. [Earliest attested date uncertain; from the popularity of the Principality of *Sealand*.]

seastead (see·stehd) — 1. *n.* A permanent structure at sea, often located outside of the territorial waters that a macronational government claims so that it can be declared sovereign as a micronational entity. 2. *vb.* **uncommon**

To engage in seasteading. [1. Coined January 1969 by the United States Commission on Marine Science, Engineering, and Resources, *Our Nation and the Sea: A Plan for National Action* (page 72); 2. first attested 2005 by Sidney I. Dobrin, *Saving Place* (page 318); both senses a blending of *sea* + *homestead* ("a property, usually consisting of a house with surrounding buildings and, especially, farmland").]

seasteader (see·stehd·uhr) *n.* — **rare** One who advocates for, or engages in, seasteading. [Coined January 1969 by the United States Commission on Marine Science, Engineering, and Resources, *Report of the Panel on Industry and Private Investment* (page 16); *seastead* + *-er* ("one who engages in, or does, the specified action").]

seasteading to secessionism-simulationism

seasteading (see·steh·duhng) — 1. *n.* The construction of a permanent structure or structures at sea (called seasteads) upon which to claim sovereignty, particularly outside of the territorial waters that a macronational government claims. 2. *vb.* **uncommon** To engage in seasteading; to seastead.

[1. Coined January 1969 by the United States Commission on Marine Science, Engineering, and Resources, *Our Nation and the Sea: A Plan for National Action* (page 14); 2. coined January 1969 by the by the United States Commission on Marine Science, Engineering, and Resources, *Panel Reports of the Commission on Marine Science, Engineering and Resources* (page V-3); both senses a blending of *sea* + *homesteading* ("to acquire or settle on land as a house with surrounding property, like farmland").]

Seasteading Boom (see·steh·duhng·boom) *pn.* — **event, rare** A micronations boom that occurred between roughly 1964 and 1972, in which several seasteading micronations were founded—including the Republic of New Atlantis, Operation Atlantis, the Principality of Sealand, the Republic of Rose Island and the Republic of Minerva. [Coined 15 March 2023 by Zabëlle Skye, MicroWiki; *Seasteading* + *boom*, as in *micronations boom* ("a sudden increase in the number of micronations and micronational activity in a particular area during a particular period").]

Seasteading Era (see·steh·duhng·err·uh) *pn.* — **micropatriology, neologism** An era of micronationalism by micropatriologist Zabëlle Skye that occurred between 1964 and 1972, coinciding with the Seasteading Boom. Follows the Early Modern Era (1933–1963) and is followed by the Academic Era (1973–1979). [Coined 26 February 2023 by Zabëlle Skye; for further etymology see *seasteading*.]

secessionism (suh·seh·shn·r·zm) *n.* — A paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation (or micronation-like entity) claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism ("an ideology in which a micronation does not claim, or actively seek to, achieve sovereignty or independence, but rather seeks to function as a political or cultural simulation"). [First attested 3 January 2007 by Richard Shears, Micro-Nations.com; from *secessionism* ("a political entity declaring independence from another political entity, typically a sovereign state").]

secessionism-simulationism (suh·seh·shn·r·zm·sim·yuh·lay·shn·r·zm) *n.* — **very rare** Synonym for *simulationism-secessionism* ("the classification system which identifies micronations as either simulationist or secessionist; classical micropatriology"). [First attested 4 July 2021, MicroWiki; for further etymology see *secessionism* and *simulationism*.]

secessionist to sector isolate

secessionist (suh·seh·shn·ist) — 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for secessionism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, secessionism. [1. First attested 22 January 2006 by Liam Sinclair, Micro-Nations.com; 2. first attested 30 December 2006 by Will Tomsett, Micro-Nations.com; both senses ultimately from the macronational sense of *secessionist*, but for further etymology see *secessionism*.]

secessionist-simulationist (suh·seh·shn·ist·sim·yuh·lay·shn·ist) *adj.* — **informal, very rare** Synonym for *simulationist-secessionist* ("relating to simulationism-secessionism, which is the classification system that identifies micronations as either simulationist or secessionist; classical micropatriology"). [First attested 18 November 2014, Micras forums; for further etymology see *secessionist* and *simulationist*.]

sector (sek·tr) *n.* — A grouping of micronations which share a common bond, be that geographical, political, linguistic, historical, locational or ancestral ties; a micronational community or subculture within the wider intermicronational community. [First attested 30 October 2000, *The Apollo Consensus*; back-formation from *Apollo Sector* ("the erstwhile community of geofictional micronations and micronationalists who originally engaged in interactive geofiction via the online Apolyton Civilization Site forums, and some subsequent micronations and micronationalists associated with them"); ultimately from *sector* ("a designated area or section; a zone"), but for further etymology see *Apollo Sector*.]

Sector (sek·tr) *pn.* — **usually preceded by "the", obsolete** Shortening of *Apollo Sector* ("the erstwhile community of geofictional micronations and micronationalists who originally engaged in interactive geofiction via the online Apolyton Civilization Site forums, and some subsequent micronations and micronationalists associated with them"). [First attested 15 September 2000, *Apollo Fireball* (issue 5); familial clipping of *Apollo Sector*; note that this term was popular before *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture") entered general micronational parlance around 2001 onwards.]

sector isolate (sek·tr·ai·suh·layt) *n.* — **sectorology, neologism** A sector isolated from, or seldom influenced by, other sectors. [Coined 16 October 2022 by Zabëlle Skye; *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture") + *isolate* ("adjective: isolated"), by analogy with *language isolate* ("a language with no relation to any other languages").]

sectoral to serious

sectoral (sek·tuh·ruhl) *adj.* — **very rare** Of, or pertaining to, a sector or sectors. [First attested 14 January 2020, MicroWiki; *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture") + *-al* ("pertaining to").]

sectorial (sek·tuh·ree·uhl) *adj.* — **very rare** Synonym for *sectoral* ("of, or pertaining to, a sector or sectors"). [First attested 9 October 2000, *Apollo Fireball* (issue 13); *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture") + *-ial* ("alternative form of *-al*: pertaining to").]

sectorology (sek·truh·luh·jee) *n.* — **micropatriology, neologsim** The study of sectors. [Coined 2019–20 by Zabëlle Skye, Discord; *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture") + *-ology* ("common variant of *-logy*; denoting the study of").]

semi-micronation (seh·mee·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, very rare** Synonym for *micronational entity*; a polity (political entity) that is similar to, but ultimately considered to be distinct from, a micronation. [First attested 4 March 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *semi-* ("partial; somewhat") + *micronation*.]

semi-micronational (seh·mee·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **very rare** Partly, but not quite, micronational; merely resembling an aspect of micronationalism. [First attested 26 August 2022 as *semi micronational*, MicroWiki; *semi-* ("partly") + *micronational*.]

serial micronationalist (see·ree·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·ist) *n.* — **neologism** An individual who applies for citizenship in various micronations without the intention to contribute to any of them. [Coined by Yaroslav Mar; first attested 20 March 2020, but Mar states that his coinage of the term may predate this; from adjective *serial* ("one who repeatedly performs the specified action").]

serious (see·ree·uhs) *adj.* — Applied to a micronation which is regarded as earnest or dedicated; either by having realistic, credible or achievable claims and goals, or, more strictly, by professing secessionist ideals or viewpoints. [Applied to micronations as early as 1984 by Erwin S. Strauss, *How to Start Your Own Country* (second edition; page 44); from *serious* ("genuinely meaning or intending what is said or planned; not jocular or deceptive"); antonym of *unserious*.]

seriousness to sim

seriousness (see·ree·uhs·nuhs) *n.* — 1. A measurement of how earnest or lighthearted a micronation is based on how realistic, credible or achievable its claims and goals are; or, a measurement of how earnest a micronation is based on how secessionist or simulationist it is, with micronations possessing more secessionist ideals regarded as more serious. 2. The state or quality of a micronational entity, intermicronational organisation or micronationalist being serious. [1. First attested in micronationalism on 21 April 1998 by Joseph Bloch, Usenet; 2. first attested in micronationalism on 1 February 1997 by James Lind, Usenet; both senses from *serious* ("applied to a micronation which is regarded as earnest or dedicated; either by having realistic, credible or achievable claims and goals, or more strictly by professing secessionist ideals or viewpoints") + *-ness* ("state of being").]

Settled Era (seh·tld·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 14 July 2012 and 26 July 2014, categorised by the hosting of five intermicronational summits—most notably PoliNation 2012—a leadership scandal in the Grand Unified Micronational, and ensuing periods of political tension and inactivity within the wider part of the community. Preceded by the Inter-Summit Era (2011–2012) and succeeded by the Polarised Era (2014–2017). [Coined before (but near) 28 October 2013; from adjective *settled* ("relaxed and content, especially after a period of change or upheaval"), so-called for the mostly peaceful times during this era.]

Seventh World (seh·vnth·wurd) *pn.* — **Cesidian or obsolete** Collectively, unserious micronations; micronations created solely for roleplaying or personal entertainment. [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 1 November 2002, *Dictionary for Micronationalism*; below Tallini's Sixth World of dedicated but young micronations, itself below Tallini's Fifth World of serious micronations.]

sim (sim) — **informal, obsolete** 1. *adj.* Clipping of *simulationist* ("of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for, simulationism"). 2. *n.* Clipping of *simulation* ("a geofictional micronation, or one intended solely for roleplay rather than earnest secessionist aspirations, especially one based on the Internet"). 3. *n.* Clipping of *simulationist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, simulationism"). [1. First attested 13 October 2003, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; 2. first attested 13 April 2001, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; 3. first attested 3 May 2006, Micro-Nations.com.]

simmie to simulationism

simmie (sim·ee) *n.* — 1. **derogatory, originally Reddit sector, now jocular and chiefly MicroWiki sector** A simulationist. 2. **derogatory, originally Reddit sector, now jocular and chiefly MicroWiki sector, dated** A general insult for any micronationalist or micronation perceived as unserious. [Both senses first attested 29 December 2019, r/micronations (Reddit); *simulationist* ("one who supports, or advocates for, simulationism") + *-ie* ("derogatory or disparaging suffix"); see also *LARPie*.]

sim-nation (sim·nay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** A simulationist (geofictional) micronation; a simulation. [First attested 24 February 2007, Micro-Nations.com; either *sim* ("clipping of *simulationist*") + *micronation*, or a blending of *simulation* + *micronation*.]

sim-sec (sim·sec) *n.* — 1. **informal, rare** Shortening of *simulationist-secessionist*. 2. **very rare** (On an axis) simulationism to secessionism. [1. First attested 18 April 2021, MicroWiki@Discord; 2. first attested 21 October 2023, MicroWiki Community Discord server; shortening of *simulationist-secessionist*, or via the direct blending of *simulationism* and *secessionism*.]

simulation (sim·yuh·lay·shn) *n.* — **obsolete** A geofictional micronation, or one intended solely for roleplay rather than earnest secessionist aspirations, especially one based on the Internet; a simulationist micronation. [First attested 19 December 2000, Micronations Today Discussion Forum; from *simulation* ("something that simulates; replicates or mimics"), so-called because such micronations intend to *simulate* a geopolitical environment instead of striving for secessionist goals.]

simulationism (sim·yuh·lay·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — An ideology in which a micronation does not claim or actively seek to achieve sovereignty or independence, but rather seeks to function as a political or cultural simulation; contrasts secessionism. [First attested 3 September 2005, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *simulation* ("a geofictional micronation, or one intended solely for roleplay rather than earnest secessionist aspirations, especially one based on the Internet", first attested 19 December 2000) + *-ism* ("a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word"), ultimately from *simulation* ("something that simulates; replicates or mimics"), so-called because such micronations intend to *simulate* a geopolitical environment instead of striving for secessionist goals.]

simulationism-secessionism to Sixth World

simulationism-secessionism (sim·yuh·lay·shn·ī·zm·suh·seh·shn·ī·zm) *n.* —

1. **less common than simulationist-secessionist, rare** The notional classification system which identifies micronations as either simulationist or secessionist; classical micropatriology. 2. **very rare** (On an axis) simulationism to secessionism; sim-sec. [1. First attested 7 September 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; 2. first attested 12 July 2020, MicroWiki; for further etymology see *simulationism* and *secessionism*.]

simulationist (sim·yuh·lay·shn·ist) — 1. *adj.* Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for simulationism. 2. *n.* One who supports, or advocates for, simulationism. 3. *n.* **chiefly Reddit and Discord sectors, derogatory** An unserious micronation or micronationalist; a simmie or LARPie. [1. First attested 13 February 2004, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *simulation* ("a geofictional micronation, or one intended solely for roleplay rather than earnest secessionist aspirations, especially one based on the Internet") + *-ist* ("pertaining to"); 2. first attested 18 January 2007, Micro-Nations.com; *simulation* + *-ist* ("one who does, or engages in, the specified root word"); 3. earliest attested date uncertain; from the second sense.]

simulationist-secessionist (sim·yuh·lay·shn·ist·suh·seh·shn·ist) *adj.* — **informal, now rare** Relating to simulationism-secessionism ("the classification system which identifies micronations as either simulationist or secessionist; classical micropatriology"). [First attested 19 November 2009, Micras forums; for further etymology see *simulationist* and *secessionist*.]

sister fort nation (si·str·fort·nay·shn) *n.* — **neologism** A micronation that lays claim to a sea fort, especially one located off the coast of the United Kingdom and in emulation of the Principality of Sealand. [Coined 10 June 2023 by Grant Taylor, MicroWiki; so-called for being a *sister* ("an entity that has an affectionate, non-hierarchical relationship with another") *fort*-based micronation to the well-known Principality of Sealand, which is located on a sea fort in the North Sea off of the coast of the United Kingdom.]

Sixth World (siksth·wurd) *pn.* — **Cesidian or obsolete** Collectively, serious but young micronations which are yet to establish their own national identity; said to be highly likely to dissolve within their first four years. [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 17 July 2002, Fifth World Council (MSN group); below Tallini's Fifth World of serious micronations, but above the Seventh World of unserious micronations.]

Snagostate to Start Your Own Country Day

Snagostate (snag·oh·stayt) *n.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector, neologism, proscribed** Synonym for *micronorod* ("a micronational entity with serious or committed macronational endeavours for independence or some other form of self-governance, especially one based around, or representing, a community"). [Coined 19 August 2024 by Ștefan Marius Snagoveanu, MicroWiki; blending of *Snagov* ("a community micronation (micronorod) established in 2020 and landlocked within Romania") + *state*; now proscribed as Snagoveanu coined *micronorod* to succeed it.]

soft secessionism (soft·suh·seh·shn·ɪ·zm) *n.* — **micropatriology, now very rare** The tenet that micronations should maintain a formal, persistent commitment to achieving macronational recognition while openly declaring their projects to be micronations and, in practice, treating them as hobby projects. [Coined 12 July 2020 by Saxber "Lyra of Little Skovaji" Blackwood, MicroWiki; *soft* ("gentle") + *secessionism* ("a paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation (or micronation-like entity) claims to be, or is set on becoming recognised as, a fully independent, sovereign state, in contrast to simulationism").]

space nation (spays·nay·shn) *n.* — **informal, rare** A micronation that claims extraterrestrial objects as its territory, such as portions of outer space, planets, stars or satellites. [Earliest attested date uncertain; popularised by Igor Ashurbeyli, founder of the Space Kingdom of Asgardia (also known as Asgardia the Space Nation) on 12 October 2016.]

Stagnant Era (stag·nuhnt·err·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector** An era in the history of the MicroWiki community that occurred between 8 May 2017 and 16 September 2018, categorised by heavy inactivity prior to the arrival of the 2018 Intake starting in January and the subsequent growing popularity of the social networking service Discord over Skype. Preceded by the Polarised Era (2014–2017) and succeeded by the MicroWiki@Discord Era (2018–2022). [Coined 18 October 2018 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; so-called for its inactivity, from the figurative *stagnant* ("without activity, progress or change").]

Start Your Own Country Day (staart·yor·own·kuhn·tree·day) *pn.* — **rare** An informal holiday celebrated on 22 November, encouraging non-micronationalists to create their own micronations; an official observance in a small number of micronations. [First attested 26 October 1998, Usenet; further etymology (such as the holiday creator) is unknown.]

Strauss to supra-micronational organisation

Strauss (strows) *pn.* — **toponym, obsolete** A once frequent placename in micronationalism. [First attested by 1997 in the Kingdom of Porto Claro; from Erwin S. *Strauss*, writer of the book *How to Start Your Own Country* about micronations in 1979, with subsequent editions in 1984 and 1999.]

sub-micronation (suhb·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **derogatory, very rare** A micronational entity which is not deserving of the status of being a micronation; a pseudo-micronation. [First attested February 2015, *Weekly Wesley*; *sub-* ("nearly; almost") + *micronation*.]

sub-micronational (suhb·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **very rare** Relating to the subdivision of a micronation. [First attested 21 January 2021, MicroWiki; by analogy with *sub-national* ("relating to the subdivision of a macronation"), ultimately from *sub-* ("subsidiary").]

sub-sector / subsector (suhb·sek·tr) *n.* — **sectorology, very rare** A sector within a sector. [First attested 7 October 2007 by Hesam Jahandar as *sub-sector*, Micras forums; *sub-* ("under; within") + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

supermicronation (soo·pr·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **rare** A hypothetical micronation of great status or power; a micronational superpower. [First attested 19 January 2008 by Cesidio Tallini; *super-* ("superior") + *micronation*.]

supersector (soo·pr·sek·tr) *n.* — **sectorology, neologism** A cluster (group) of sectors which are closely related to, or associated with, one another; a community of sectors. [Coined 2 February 2021 by Anthony I of Saspearian, MicroWiki; *super-* ("denotes a more inclusive category") + *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

supra-micronational (soo·pra·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *n.* — **formal, uncommon** Beyond the scope of any one micronation; intermicronational. [First attested by 18 August 2000 as *supramicronational*, League of Secessionist States; *supra-* ("above or beyond; transcending") + *micronational*.]

supra-micronational organisation (soo·pra·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·or·guh·nai·zay·tion) *n.* — **formal, rare** A micronational or intermicronational organisation. [First attested 24 April 2001, *A glossary of micronational term*; either *supra-* ("above or beyond; transcending") + *micronational organisation* or *supra-micronational* ("transcending any one micronation; intermicronational") + *organisation*.]

synomos to Tallinian

synomos (suh·no·muhs) *n.* — **obsolete** A theoretical confederation in which a micronation is made up, partially or entirely, of other micronations which are supposed to maintain their individual sovereignty; in other words, a micronation that is made up of other micronations (as opposed to constitute states). [Coined 2012, possibly by Rachel Burklandssen; from *synomosy* ("a group of conspirators bound together by an oath; a secret society"), from Ancient Greek *synomosía* συνωμοσία "conspiracy".]

T (tee) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronational classification issued by the erstwhile International Micropatrological Society for micronations deemed by the society as "traditional" for having simple, realistic or achievable territorial claims. [First attested 28 March 1976, *The New York Times*, though the Micropatrological Society was founded in 1973; see also *B* ("bogus"), *E* ("extinct"), *F* ("fictional") and *O* ("other").]

tacit recognition (ta·suht·reh·kuhg·ni·shn) *n.* — An act by a macronation that can be vaguely misinterpreted as constituting *de facto* legal recognition of a micronation, especially an e-mail by a macronational authority that refers to a micronational leader by their title. [First attested May 2009 by Bennie Lee Ferguson, *What is a Nation: The Micronationalist Challenge to Traditional Concepts of the Nation-state*; *tacit* ("implied") + *recognition* ("clipping of *diplomatic recognition*").]

talk page diplomacy (tawk·payj·duh·plow·muh·see) *n.* — **MicroWiki sector, uncommon** The use of the talk page namespace on MicroWiki for means of conducting or initiating intermicronational diplomacy, typically between micronations of the MicroWiki sector. [Coined 20 May 2014 by Jonathan I of Austenasia, MicroWiki; *talk page* ("a forum on a wiki where discussion of the content of an article takes place") + *diplomacy*.]

talk page kid (tawk·payj·kid) *n.* — **derogatory, MicroWiki sector, obsolete** A micronationalist who exclusively uses talk pages on MicroWiki for correspondence and conducting diplomacy; one who almost exclusively engages in talk page diplomacy. [Coined 6 July 2022 by Devin Purcell, Discord; *talk page* ("a forum on a wiki where discussion of the content of an article takes place") + *kid* ("a person who is inexperienced").]

Tallinian (taal·ee·nee·uhn) *adj.* — **obsolete** Synonym for *Cesidian*. [Coined by Cesidio Tallini; first attested 7 March 1998 in *Tallinian Linguistic Classification System*; either *Tallini* + *-ian* ("of, like, or relating to, the specified root word") or *Tallini* + *-an* ("alternative form of *-ian*"), from Cesidio *Tallini's* surname.]

territorial micronation to treaty of mutual recognition

territorial micronation (teh·ruh·taw·ree·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — A micronation that claims physical land as its territory, as opposed to a non-territorial one. [First attested 14 May 2005 by Stefan Meysztowicz, Google Groups.]

thematic micronationalism (thuh·ma·tuhk·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* — **non-standard, obsolete** Synonym for *themed micronationalism*. [Coined 18 January 2020 by the Imperial and Royal Academy of Geographical and Social Studies of Karnia-Ruthenia.]

themed micronationalism (theemd·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·i·zm) *n.* —

micropatriology, rare The concept or paradigm within micronationalism whereby a micronation bases its form of government, laws, beliefs or culture off of a particular theme, such as a political ideology, time period, macronation, religion or work of fiction. [First attested by 25 December 2011, MicroWiki.]

this ain't no cyberwar, Logan (this·aynt·no·sai·br·wor·low·gn) *phrase* —

MicroWiki and Discord sectors, obsolete Stated when disregarding micronational warfare or a particular instance of micronational war. [November 2020; excerpt from the opening statement of a video by Daniel Maloney, made as a threat to Logan Medlin, in which Maloney presents a Nerf blaster and utters the phrase.]

toy micronation (toy·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — **neologism, rare** A micronation that grants citizenship to toys or claims that toys hold offices and make sentiment decisions in said micronation. [Coined late September 2022 by Zabëlle Skye.]

traditional micronation (truh·di·shuh·nuhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* —

uncommon A secessionist, territorial micronation, as opposed to an online or non-secessionist micronation. [First attested 15 October 2002, Sim America (GeoCities).]

trans-micronational (trans·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *adj.* — **very rare** Synonym for *intermicronational*. [First attested 14 August 2012 as *transmicronational*, MicroWiki; *trans-* ("extending beyond; through") + *micronational*.]

treaty of mutual recognition (tree·tee·ov·myoo·choo·uhl·reh·kuhg·ni·shn) *n.* — A treaty formally establishing diplomatic relations between two micronations; often the treaty includes several clauses, most prominently recognition of one another's existence. [First attested in micronationalism on 23 April 1998, *Treaty of Mutual Recognition and Cooperation Between the Kingdom of Falkenberg and the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia*; see also *mutual recognition treaty*.]

Twitter sector to Usenet

Twitter sector (twi·tr·sek·tr) *pn.* — **rare** Micronationalist Twitter; the sector of mostly micronationalists who use the social media platform X (formerly Twitter) to make posts surrounding intermicronational diplomacy, events, issues and other ongoings of interest to the micronational community. [First attested 11 June 2020 by Nicholas Randouler, MicroWiki@Discord; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

UM (yoo·em) *pn.* — Abbreviation for *United Micronations*. [First attested before 12 May 2003, *List of Micronations that Could Have Issued Stamps*; initialism, but probably by analogy with, or in emulation of, the macronational *UN* ("abbreviation for the United Nations").]

Union of Micronations (yoon·yuhn·ov·mai·krow·nay·shns) *pn.* — A generic name for an intermicronational organisation; the second-most common such title after the *United Micronations*. [First attested 2009, *What is a Nation: The Micronationalist Challenge to Traditional Concepts of the Nation-state* (page 16); *union* ("a confederation, league or organisation of entities") + *of* + *micronations*.]

United Micronations (yoo·nai·tuhd·mai·krow·nay·shns) *pn.* — A generic name for an intermicronational organisation, in emulation of the macronational United Nations. [First attested 20 November 1996, Usenet, with the first incarnation founded 22 March 1997, Angelfire; by analogy with *United Nations* ("the principal intergovernmental organisation of the macronational world, with 193 member states").]

unmicronational (uhn·mai·krow·nay·shn·al) *n.* — **informal, very rare**
Synonym for *non-micronational*. [First attested 3 February 2010, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *un-* ("not") + *micronational*.]

unserious (uhn·see·ree·uhs) *adj.* — Applied to a micronation which is regarded as jocular or lighthearted, either by having unrealistic or unachievable claims and goals, or, more strictly, by professing simulationist ideals. [First attested 12 August 2007, Micras forums; from *unserious* ("not serious").]

Usenet (yooz·net) *pn.* — **metonym, obsolete** The (now former) micronational community that operated chiefly on the discussion service Usenet, especially those communicating in the channels alt.politics.micronations and alt.talk.hypothetical (the latter once used as the official discussion forum of the League of Secessionist States). [First attested 13 December 1998, Usenet.]

virtual to virtual nation

virtual (vur·choo·uhl) *adj.* — 1. Operating online or digitally (such as through a computer or via the Internet); being a cyber micronation. 2. **obsolete**

Simulated or fictional; geofictional. 3. **Lusophone sector English, obsolete**

Synonym for *virtualist* ("denoting, or relating to, virtualism"). [1. First attested 30 October 1998 by Richard Pond, Usenet; from *virtual* ("simulated in a computer or occurring online"); 2. first attested 18 February 1999, Usenet; from *virtual* ("in theory, effect or essence, as opposed to concrete reality or fact"); 3. first attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *virtual*, first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; in-turn from *virtualismo*, first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; from *virtual* ("in theory, effect or essence, as opposed to concrete reality or fact") + *-ismo* ("-ism: a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

virtual country (vur·choo·uhl·kuhn·tree) *n.* — 1. Synonym for *virtual nation* ("a cyber micronation"). 2. Synonym for *virtual nation* ("a geofictional micronation"). 3. **potentially derogatory** Synonym for *virtual nation* ("a micronation"). [1. First attested in micronationalism on 9 November 1990 by Anna Couey, Usenet; 2. first attested 24 June 1998, Usenet; 3. first attested 2 June 2001 by Kevin O'Connor, *Regina Leader-Post* (page D-5); for the etymologies of each sense see *virtual nation*.]

virtual micronation (vur·choo·uhl·mai·krow·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. Synonym for *virtual nation* ("a cyber micronation"). 2. Synonym for *virtual nation* ("a geofictional micronation"). [1. First attested 6 December 1996 by Fabrice O'Driscoll, Usenet; from *virtual* ("occurring online; on a computer, or on the Internet"); 2. first attested 28 September 2008, Google Groups; from *virtual* ("simulated online").]

virtual nation (vur·choo·uhl·nay·shn) *n.* — 1. A cyber micronation. 2. A geofictional micronation. 3. **now derogatory, somewhat dated** A micronation. [1. First attested 9 March 2000, Usenet; from *virtual* ("occurring online; on a computer, or on the Internet"); 2. first attested 10 February 2003, Kingdom of Babkha (official website); from *virtual* ("simulated online"); 3. first attested 18 August 1996, *A Declaration of the Independence of the Commonwealth of Port Colice*; from *virtual* ("technically, but not really; unofficial").]

virtualism to Wikia

virtualism (vur·choo·uhl·r·zm) *n.* — **Lusophone sector English, Hispanic sector English, rare** A paradigm of micronationalism in which a micronation exists largely or entirely on the Internet or on a private network; Internet micronationalism. [First attested 1 April 2005 by Dalton J. Carvalho, Google Groups; from Portuguese *virtualismo*, first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; from *virtual* ("in theory, effect or essence, as opposed to concrete reality or fact") + *-ismo* ("-ism: a belief, practice, or movement associated with the root word").]

virtualist (vur·choo·uhl·ist) *adj.* — **Lusophone sector English, Hispanic sector English, rare** Of, supporting, relating to, or advocating for virtualism. [First attested 10 October 2005 by Claudio André de Castro, Holy Empire of Réunion (official website); from Portuguese *virtualista*, first attested October 1998, *As Convenções Do Ilam* [Conventions of the LAIM]; *virtual* ("in theory, effect or essence, as opposed to concrete reality or fact") + *-ista* ("-ist: one who does, or engages in, the specified root word").]

vonu (vohn·oo) *n.* — **rare** The act of ignoring or disregarding one's parent micronation by covertly avoiding them; the opposite of adhering to micronational privilege. [Coined early 1960s by Rayo of the Association of Free Isles, ostensibly as an abbreviation for "**v**ountary **n**ot **v**ulnerable".]

wax cabinet (waks·kab·uh·nuht) *n.* — **obsolete** A micronation in which all major governmental offices are held by the alternative pseudonymous online accounts of a single individual. [Coined late 2000 by P. R. Rasmussen; perhaps from *wax* ("adjective: made of wax"), in reference to wax figures (statues made out of wax) so as to suggest that none of the micronation's citizens are real people; see also *Erusia* and *paper doll*.]

Webindigenous (web·in·di·juh·nuhs) *pn.* — **Cesidian, obsolete** A native of the World Wide Web; hailing from an online micronation. [Coined 12 July 2003 by Cesidio Tallini, "Fifth World Declaration"; *Web* ("The World Wide Web") + *indigenous* ("native to").]

wider micronational community (wai·dr·mai·krow·nay·shn·al·kuh·myoo·nuh·tee) *n.* — Synonym for *intermicronational community*. [First attested 10 September 1999, Usenet; *wider* + *micronational community*, likely in order to be distinguished from an individual micronational community (i.e. a sector).]

Wikia (wi·kee·uh) *pn.* — **MicroWiki sector, metonym** Synonym for *MicroWikia*. [First attested 11 November 2010, MicroWiki; either from *Wikia*, the hosting service (wikifarm) of MicroWiki prior to 14 November 2010, or as a shortening of *MicroWikia*.]

wikination to YAMUN

wikination (wi·kee·nay·shn) *n.* — **derogatory, obsolete** A micronation that chiefly operates on, or is closely associated with, a micronational wiki, especially MicroWiki. [First attested 10 January 2010 by Guido Zambelis, Micras forums; blending of *wiki* + *micronation*.]

Wrythe Convention (ryeth·kuhn·ven·shn) *pn.* — **chiefly MicroWiki sector** An intermicronational treaty condemning sockpuppeting, identity theft and misleading or fabricated claims within micronationalism; the most-signed treaty in micronational history with over 130 signatories. [Coined before 15 September 2018; named for *Wrythe*, coined 20 September 2008, the capital city of the Empire of Austenasia in which the treaty was unveiled and first signed.]

YAM (yam; wai·ay·em) *n.* — **jocular or sometimes derogatory, MicroWiki sector, rare** A micronation that is useless, unoriginal or serves no purpose. [First attested 17 July 2019, MicroWiki@Discord; initialism for *yet another micronation*, by analogy with YAMO ("yet another micronational organisation").]

YAMO (yahm·oh) *n.* — 1. **derogatory** An intermicronational organisation that is useless, unnecessary or serves no concrete purpose; typically inexperienced, unprofessional, or short-lived and with no noteworthy accomplishments. 2. **derogatory** A general insult for any intermicronational organisation perceived as undesirable. 3. **potentially derogatory** Synonym for *intermicronational organisation*. 4. **literal, non-standard, rare** Abbreviation for the phrase *yet another micronational organisation*. [1. c.1998, originator unknown (per *A glossary of micronational terms*); 2. first attested 3 April 2001 by Lars Erik, micro-nations.org; 3. first attested 16 June 2006 by Dieter N. Vercária, Micro-Nations.com; 4. first attested 28 March 2000 by Peter Ravn Rasmussen, *Ignes Fatui* (volume 6): all senses are an initialism of *yet another micronational organisation*; *yet another* ("prefix phrase originally from programmer slang denoting unoriginality") + *micronational organisation* ("common name for an intermicronational organisation").]

YAMOish (yahm·oh·ish) *adj.* — **informal, rare** Resembling a YAMO. [First attested 6 October 2008, Imperial Republic of Shireroth forums; *YAMO* + *-ish* ("somewhat; resembling").]

YAMUN (yam·uhn) *n.* — **derogatory, very rare** A general insult for an intermicronational organisation founded in emulation of the macronational United Nations (UN). [First attested 8 August 2017, MicroWiki; initialism for *yet another micronational United Nations*, by analogy with YAMO; see also *United Micronations*.]

YouTube sector to zeptonation

YouTube sector (yoo·toob·sek·tr) *pn.* — A sector based around the online video-sharing social media platform YouTube, categorised by its lacklustre diplomacy via the posting of comments on videos and known for hosting numerous videos of war declarations and micronational national anthems with little to no substance on micronational affairs. [First attested 16 May 2011, YouTube; from *sector* ("a community within the wider intermicronational community; a micronational subculture").]

zeptonation (zep·toh·nay·shn) *n.* — **jocular, very rare** A hypothetical attonation located within another attonation ("a hypothetical femtonation located within a femtonation"); that is, a micronation in a micronation (attonation) in a micronation (femtonation) in a micronation (piconation) in a micronation (nanonation) in a micronation in a macronation. [First attested 10 November 2020, MicroWiki@Discord; *zepto-* (unit prefix below *atto-* meaning "one sextillionth") + *micronation*, by analogy with terms like *piconation*, *nanonation*, etc.]

Expanded: origin of *micronation*

The long sought after origin of *micronation* as a word is finally revealed—definitively—in this dictionary:

Coined 11 March 1973 by the editors of the *Lansing State Journal*, republication of a *Washington Post* article by Philip J. Hilts as "a score of countries ... which are only partially real"; *micro-* ("small") + *nation* ("synonym for *country*"), literally "small country" or "micro-country".

However, the full etymology and background leading to the coinage of this term is far too elaborate to explain accurately in a simple entry listing, hence the inclusion of this special chapter which presents a historical overview of the word's entire etymology. Indeed, the history of modern micronationalism aligns closely with the history of the word *micronation* itself, and as such must be explored first.

Prior to 1973, it is probable that the word *ephemeral state* was used in place of *micronation*. Since 1933, the Office of the Geographer of the United States Department of State has kept a file cabinet for "countries which are only partially real."¹ It is named the Ephemeral States file. This file includes the letters, documents, newspaper clippings and records of several micronations as well as other anomalies under international law, like the Sovereign Military Order of Malta—a non-territorial, macronationally sovereign religious order.²

The file was created in order for the United States government to be able to carefully reject these letters from micronationalists requesting recognition without accidentally offering any form of recognition to any of these entities. Not including traditional states with limited recognition, this file was the first collection of micronational entities, and even collects records on each micronation's ventures such as adopting a constitution, minting coinage, seeking diplomatic recognition elsewhere and printing passports amongst other activities.³

¹ Hilts, Philip J. "Where Is This Place?: Strange shores, indeed". 21 January 1973. *Potomac Magazine*. *The Washington Post*.

² Office of the Geographer. Records held by the Ephemeral States file. 1933–2001. United States Department of State. Accessed via a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request.

³ Petersen, Clarence. "All hail, Prince of the Hutt River". 9 October 1986. *Chicago Tribune*.

The first entry in the Ephemeral States file was the Kingdom of Atlantis,⁴ which notably produced a number of coins in 1933.⁵

Although several historical political entities have been retroactively declared micronations, an increased number of such entities resembling present-day micronations began to be formed specifically after World War II. We note the following examples: the Kingdom of Elleore in 1944 by a group of schoolteachers after they purchased an island for a summer camp;⁶ The Republic of Saugeais in 1947 after a local joked that Saugeais was a real country then it humorously became an actual micronation;⁷ the Nation of Celestial Space in 1948, an early example of a space nation;⁸ the Principality of Outer Baldonia in 1949, an island owned by a fisherman-cum-lawyer;⁹ and the Principality of Seborga in 1963 as an apparent continuation of a historical state of the same name.¹⁰

The Seasteading Boom between 1964 and 1972 had a large impact on micronationalism: several seasteading micronations were founded—many often influenced by libertarian ideals—and inspired journalists, writers and challenged the very definition of 'sovereignty'. Noteworthy examples are the Republic of New Atlantis,¹¹ Operation Atlantis,¹² the Principality of Sealand,¹³ the Republic of Rose Island¹⁴ and the Republic of Minerva.¹⁵ All of these micronations, which each attracted considerable media attention, were included in the Ephemeral States file.¹⁶

⁴ *ibid.*

⁵ Homren, Wayne. "More on the silver deca coins of Atlantis II". 5 July 2009. *The E-Sylum*. Numismatic Bibliomania Society. Vol. 12, no. 27, article 24. https://web.archive.org/web/20160215200136/https://www.coinbooks.org/esylum_v12n27a24.html

⁶ Hobbs, Harry & Williams, George. *Micronations and the Search for Sovereignty*. 2021. Cambridge Studies in Constitutional Law. Cambridge University Press. pp. 205–206 and Appendix of Micronations Discussed (entry for Elleore).

⁷ Eyres, Lebby. "A tiny 'country' between France and Switzerland". 12 March 2020. *BBC Travel*. BBC News.

⁸ Pop, Virgiliu. "The Nation of Celestial Space". August 2006. *Space Policy*. Vol. 22, Issue 3, pp. 205–213.

⁹ Hobbs & Williams. 2021. p. 103.

¹⁰ Hobbs & Williams. 2021. pp. 105–106.

¹¹ Strauss, Erwin S. *How to Start Your Own Country*. 1999 (first published 1979). 3rd ed. Paladin Press. p. 65.

¹² Strauss. 1999. p. 68.

¹³ Strauss. 1999. p. 132.

¹⁴ Graham, Jamie. "Rose Island: the amazing story of a self-declared republic off the Italian coast". 13 December 2020. *The Times*.

¹⁵ Strauss. 1999. p. 114–116.

¹⁶ Office of the Geographer. n.d.

There is a term that arose directly from this seasteading boom that predates *micronation*: *mini-nation* first appears on 2 March 1972 when it was used by Robert Trumbull in an article he wrote for *The New York Times* to refer to Minerva.¹⁷ Etymologically, the prefix *mini-* (a shortening of *miniature*) is a diminutive which refers to a smaller version of something. As *nation* is used here as synonym for *country* (as it is in *micronation*), *mini-nation* literally means "miniature country". The term appears in macronational journalism as a hypocoristic or humorous way to refer to a micronation, but this term never caught on like *micronation* eventually did.

It might have been this seasteading boom that influenced the American journalist and author Philip J. Hilts (1947–2022) to write about this phenomenon for *The Washington Post's* Sunday supplement, *Potomac Magazine*, on 21 January 1973.¹⁸ His article concerned a number of micronations listed in the Ephemeral States file, also naming and discussing the file itself.

Hilts described micronations as "countries ... which are only partially real",¹⁹ adding that "We know the Eastern bloc, the Western bloc, and the Third World nations. But there is another universe of nations which exist apart from the familiar countries."²⁰ The micronations featured were Outer Baldonia, Minerva, New Atlantis, Atland—an unsuccessful seasteading attempt—and the Kingdom of Humanity—an unsubstantiated foreign claim on an archipelago.²¹

Nevertheless, the word *micronation* was never used by Hilts. Curiously, the word in its current meaning first appeared, and was likely coined, in an altered republication of the article by the *Lansing State Journal* on 11 March 1973. It introduced a new headline, "Micro-Nations Nebulous Fourth World", and added a newly-inserted image of a microscope over a world map with the caption: "even [the] microscope doesn't show up micro-nations, such as Outer Baldonia, but they're there".²² It also changed some of the wording in the body, such as replacing *countries* with *micro-nations* in the following sentence (alongside other edits):

For every dreamer there is somewhere a doer, and in the realm [of] the strange **micro-nations**, the Republic of Minerva has plunged a bit ahead of the nebulous status of most others.

¹⁷ Trumbull, Robert. "Dot In Pacific Opposed As Nation". 2 March 1972. *The New York Times*.

¹⁸ Hilts. 21 January 1973.

¹⁹ Hilts. 21 January 1973.

²⁰ *ibid.*

²¹ *ibid.*

²² Hilts, Philip J. "Micro-Nations Nebulous Fourth World". 11 March 1973. *Lansing State Journal*.

Thus, the word *micro-nation* in its current sense was coined. It was probably so-called by the editors because most micronations are very small in territorial size.

In the past, there existed a trap here for micropatriologists who take *nation* to mean an ethnic group. However, searches on Newspapers.com—a newspaper archive—indicate that in 1973, *nation* was a very common synonym for a sovereign state (a country). Thus, *micronation* is actually the equivalent of *microcountry*. It can also be safely—perhaps definitively—assumed that the editors of the *Lansing State Journal* were the ones to have coined *micronation* based on several factors that are discussed below.

Firstly, it is known that the maintainers of the Ephemeral States file did not use the term *micronation* themselves. The *Chicago Tribune* published a story on the file in 1986 and the word *micronation* never appears. In their interview with George J. Demco, then-director of the State Department's Office of the Geographer which maintains the file, Demco even stated that he likes to call it the "Mythical Kingdoms, Kooky Kings and Pretending Princes File."²³ Despite these several (albeit jocular) synonyms, *micronation* is notably absent.

Secondly, the first organisation dedicated to the study of micronational entities—the International Micropatological Society (IMS)—certainly did not coin the term either, though they did use it as early as 28 March 1976 (the word's second attested use and first without a hyphen).²⁴ The IMS was founded in 1973 and coined *micropatrology* as the "study of small countries" via *micro-* ("small") + *patria* (Latin "country" or literally "fatherland") + *-ology* ("study of").²⁵

They were most likely aware of the term and translated *micronation* into Latin as *micropatria* (combining *micro-* [a prefix from New Latin] and *patria*) in order to create the name for the field of study of micronationalism through what is known as a *classical compound*. In academia, many words for an academic discipline or field of study are given a Latin or Greek etymology for stylistic reasons; Latin and Greek were historically the languages of academia, and, as such, many new concepts were, and continue to be, named in Latin or (to a lesser degree) Greek.²⁶ This further evidences that *micronation* existed prior to the foundation of the IMS as *micropatrology* was most probably based on *micronation* (see page 119 for further information on this).

²³ Petersen. 9 October 1986.

²⁴ Bongartz, Roy. "Nations Off the Beaten Track". 28 March 1976. *The New York Times*. Issue 43163.

²⁵ Moreau, Terri Ann. *Subversive Sovereignty: Parodic Representations of Micropatrias Enclaved by the United Kingdom*. September 2014. Thesis. University of London. p. 51.

²⁶ See Hatcher, Anna Granville. *Modern English Word-formation and Neo-Latin*. 1951. Johns Hopkins University Press about this practice.

Lastly, it is also worth noting that *micro-nation*—most often attested with a hyphen—is used as a synonym for *microstate* (a small but internationally recognised sovereign state), and was particularly popular between the 1960s and 1980s.²⁷ However, there is clearly no relation between our *micronation* and this *micro-nation*; they simply share the same etymological root.

The first use of *micronation* in a published book (and the third attested use all together) was in 1978 in a dedicated chapter about micronations in *The People's Almanac #2* by David Wallechinsky and Irving Wallace.²⁸ However, the term notably does not appear in Erwin S. Strauss' libertarian-influenced *How to Start Your Own Country* (1979)—the first book about micronations—nor does it appear in its subsequent editions in 1984 or 1999.²⁹ In fact, he instead coined the terms *model country*, *new country project* and *new country* in this book to describe micronations; see their relevant entries in this dictionary for more details regarding the meanings of each term.

Curiously, it seems that the use of the word *micronation*, and even a general interest in micronationalism itself, greatly waned during the following decade. Indeed, search queries on Newspapers.com produce only one attested use of *micronation* during the 1980s—on 28 July 1980 in *The Wichita Eagle* in an article about the Republic of Vemerana.³⁰ Additionally, there were no books published on micronationalism as a whole during this decade; although, many newspapers did still publish stories on individual micronations without calling them *micronations*—likely unaware that the word existed or that micronationalism as a whole was even a developed concept.

The IMS also went inactive by 1980,³¹ with potential brief activity in 1985,³² perhaps only further contributing to the lack of interest in micronations during this period. Most significantly, the *Chicago Tribune* did publish a story on the Ephemeral States file on 9 October 1986, which we did previously mention, although the word *micronation* was never used in the story.³³

²⁷ Queries of archived newspapers via Newspapers.com. Undertaken by Skye, Zabëlle on 13 November 2023.

²⁸ Wallechinsky, David & Wallace, Irving. *The People's Almanac #2: A Completely New Book from Cover to Cover*. 1978. Bantam Books. p. 330.

²⁹ Strauss. 1999.

³⁰ Rowan, Carl. "A Nation Is Born". 28 July 1980. *The Wichita Eagle*.

³¹ Billington, David P. "Micropatrology and My Interest in Navassa". Before 26 June 2010. *Navassa Island*. Billington's personal website. <https://web.archive.org/web/20231201170702/https://www.davidpbillington.net/micro.html>

³² Lehmann, Frederick W. "International Micropatrological Society Update". 28 February 1985. Cited in Squires, John D. "The Redonda Legend: A Bibliography". 25 July 2000. <https://web.archive.org/web/20040716090201/http://www.javiermarias.es/REDONDIANA/redondaarticles.html>

³³ Petersen. 9 October 1986.

The commercialisation and spread of the Internet from 1995 onwards may very well have revived micronationalism. Especially influential was the first webpage dedicated solely to micronationalism: the Micronations Page. Registered sometime between 15 January³⁴ and 1 April 1996,³⁵ it was maintained by Robert Ben Madison of the Kingdom of Talossa. It consisted of an overview of the topic and included a list of micronations, each marked by Madison's own classification system of seriousness. Heavily referenced were *How to Start Your Own Country* and the Ephemeral States file which had influenced Madison and the layout of the webpage; he regarded the website as a continuation of Strauss' work.³⁶

While a large community of micronationalists who were aware of the term existed online—largely on GeoCities, Angelfire and Tripod.com—*The Montreal Gazette* ran a story on micronations and referenced the Micronations Page on 1 April 1996,³⁷ possibly helping to popularise the concept as well as the term *micronation* to non-micronationalists for the first time since at least 1978.

A small micronational media frenzy even occurred in 2000, with several news publications issuing stories on micronationalism and using the word, such as *The New York Times*,³⁸ *Wired*³⁹ and the *Ottawa Citizen*.⁴⁰ A Wikipedia entry for *micronation* was created on 27 October 2001,⁴¹ perhaps suggesting that the activity may have quietly entered popular culture during the 2000s decade. Since then, *micronation* has been a well-established, familiar word to all micronationalists and even to many non-micronationalists. *Micronation* was added to the third edition of the *Encyclopaedic Dictionary of International Law*, published by Oxford University Press, in 2009;⁴² and the authoritative *Oxford English Dictionary* in June 2016.⁴³

³⁴ The Kingdom of Talossa launched its first website on 15 January 1996 (<https://web.archive.org/web/20010601212552/http://www.capitalnet.com/~dave/arpats/arpats25.htm>); it potentially predated the Micronations Page.

³⁵ Zgodziński, David. "Net full of nations". 1 April 1996. *The Montreal Gazette*.

³⁶ Madison, Robert B. The Micronations Page website. n.d. Archived: <https://www.reuniao.org/loss/archive/patsilor.htm>. Accessed 29 August 2024.

³⁷ Zgodziński, David. "Net full of nations". 1 April 1996. *The Montreal Gazette*.

³⁸ Mimh, Stephen. "Utopian rulers and spoofs stake out territory online." 25 May 2000. *The New York Times*.

³⁹ Wired Staff. "It's Good to Be King". 1 March 2000. *Wired*.

⁴⁰ MacLeod, Ian. "Brave new worlds". 3 April 2000. *The Ottawa Citizen*.

⁴¹ Page creation of "micronation" on Wikipedia. 27 October 2001. Wikimedia Foundation. <https://web.archive.org/web/20240829040248/https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Micronation&oldid=268072>

⁴² Grant, John P. & Barker, J. Craig, eds. *Encyclopaedic Dictionary of International Law*. 2009. 3 ed. Oxford University Press. p. 378.

⁴³ "New words list June 2016". June 2016. Updates to the OED. Oxford English Dictionary (OED). <https://web.archive.org/web/20240829035555/https://www.oed.com/information/updates/previous-updates/2016-2/june-2016?tl=true>.

Expanded: Origin of *micropatriology*

The origin of *micropatriology*—the study of micronationalism—is now well-documented but rather curious as it arose as an alternative spelling of *micropatrology*, which is evidently spelled without the *i*. This chapter of the *Micronational Dictionary* details this progression.

Micropatrology was coined in 1973⁴⁴ by the International Micropatrolological Society (IMS).⁴⁵ It was most probably coined by IMS founder and president Frederick W. Lehmann IV.⁴⁶ The IMS was the first organisation to study micronations on a professional level, and it remains significant in the history of micronationalism and especially micropatriology. Etymologically, the word's formation comes from *micro-* ("small") + *patria* (Latin "country" or literally "fatherland") + *-ology* (a common variant of Ancient Greek *-logy* *-logíā* λογία, used to denote a field of study), thus literally meaning the "study of small countries."⁴⁷

Previously, and perhaps even still, many micropatriologists were confused by the word's etymology due to a second plausible but incorrect origin: *micro-* + *patro* (Ancient Greek *patéras* πατέρας "father") + *-logy*, assuming that the *o* is connected to *patr* instead of *-ology*.⁴⁸ This would, however, erroneously make it the "study of small fathers" instead of "small countries", which does not make logical sense in comparison to the first etymology which correctly realises that *patria* becomes *patr*. Another interesting factor was the IMS's choice to coin *micropatria* ("small country") instead of simply using *micronationology*. This is because many words for an academic discipline or field of study are given a Latin or Greek etymology for stylistic reasons; Latin and Greek were historically the languages of academia, and as such many new concepts were named in Latin or (to a lesser extent) Greek.⁴⁹ This practice continues today.

⁴⁴ Moreau, Terri Ann. *Subversive Sovereignty: Parodic Representations of Micropatrias Enclaved by the United Kingdom*. September 2014. Thesis. University of London. p. 51.

⁴⁵ Strauss, Erwin S. *How to Start Your Own Country*. 1999 (first published 1979). 3 ed. Paladin Press. p. 162. ISBN: 9781581605242.

⁴⁶ Based on the fact that he is the founder of the IMS.

⁴⁷ Moreau 2014.

⁴⁸ Aguiar, Pedro. *Micropatriologia* [Micropatriology]. 16 October 2006. Wikimicropédia. (in Portuguese). <https://web.archive.org/web/20220315035346/https://micronations.fandom.com/pt/wiki/Micropatriologia>

⁴⁹ See Hatcher, Anna Granville. *Modern English Word-formation and Neo-Latin*. 1951. Johns Hopkins University Press about this practice.

Thus, the IMS most certainly translated *micronation* into Latin as *micropatria* (combining *micro-* [a prefix from New Latin] and *patria*), correctly using *nation* as a synonym for *country*. Indeed, in Latin, the word for *nation* was *nātiō*.⁵⁰ As such, it is essentially the equivalent to *micronationology*.

The word *micropatrology*, as well as the IMS (which is correctly noted as having coined the term), are both featured in Erwin S. Strauss' seminal 1979 *How To Start Your Own Country*,⁵¹ the first book dedicated to micronationalism. The word never appears independently from the IMS until the Micronational Internet Boom; alongside Strauss' book, at least three newspapers and one magazine are verifiably documented to have made reference to the society (albeit briefly in three of these four instances) before the boom. These are *the New York Times* in March 1976,⁵² the *Contra Costa Times* in February 1977,⁵³ *New York* magazine in July 1977⁵⁴ and the *Sunday Telegraph* in June 1980.⁵⁵

On 5 June 1992, Lehmann made a post on Usenet—an early Internet discussion forum—stating: "I've seen it [micropatrology] used in 2 books and about 12 newspaper and magazine stories in the UK ... USA and Tonga,"⁵⁶ suggesting that *micropatrology* may have achieved a modest usage in wider macronational media; although the author of this dictionary has been unable to locate the sources of these additional references. Lehmann also stated that he believed it was either himself or IMS vice-president Christopher Martin who coined the term.⁵⁷

During the micronational Internet boom which commenced in 1995, *micropatrology* became widely known and used by micronationalists in posts on Usenet dating as far back as September 1996.⁵⁸

⁵⁰ Robinson, Mairi; Davidson, George (eds). Entry for "nation". *Chambers 21st Century Dictionary*. 1999. Allied Publishers. p. 910. ISBN: 9788186062265.

⁵¹ Strauss 1999, p. 162.

⁵² Bongartz, Roy. "Nations Off the Beaten Track". 28 March 1976. *The New York Times*. Issue 43163.

⁵³ "WC Teen Takes Taxes to Task in N.Y. Times". 20 February 1977. *Contra Costa Times*.

⁵⁴ "Ma Bell v. Montmartre: A Ruritanian Melodrama". 18 July 1977. *New York*. New York Media. Vol. 10, no. 29, p. 56.

⁵⁵ Alverson, Charles. "A Law Unto its Tiny Self". 8 June 1980. *Sunday Telegraph*. p. 67.

⁵⁶ Frederick [Lehmann, Fritz]. "What does "micropatrology" mean?". 5 June 1992. User post. alt.usage.english. Usenet. <https://web.archive.org/web/20221101152823/https://groups.google.com/g/alt.usage.english/c/XfPQq640lB0/m/vZBo1yrskJwJ>

⁵⁷ *ibid*.

⁵⁸ See, for instance, Ben Madison [Madison, Robert Ben]. "L.O.S.S. News Update!". 23 September 1996. User post. alt.talk.hypothetical. Usenet. <https://web.archive.org/web/20240831184135/https://groups.google.com/g/alt.talk.hypothetical/c/kUBxFnxW4xg/m/0JH2S9hTObwJ>

The earliest attested use of the *i* variant appears not in English, but in Portuguese in the name of the Latin American Institute of Micropatriology (LAIM; Portuguese: *Instituto Latino-Americano de Micropatriologia*; ILAM) in October 1998. The earliest verified mention of the organisation is in their Portuguese-language *the Conventions of the LAIM* (Portuguese: *As Convenções Do ILAM*), published in October 1998. Although *micropatriology* is not used separately in the text, the word *micropatriólogo* (*micropatriologist*) is mentioned in line six:

"Por "Micropatriólogo" entende-se o estudioso das micronações e do fenômeno do secessionismo."⁵⁹

Translated into English as:

"By "Micropatriologist" it is meant the scholar of micronations and the phenomenon of secessionism."⁶⁰

Note that in Portuguese, the suffix *-logo* (or *-ólogo* as it appears here) forms the names of professionals or scholars working in a given field of study, while *-logia* (compare the English *-logy* or *-ology*) forms the names of the field of study itself.⁶¹ Thus, *micropatriologia* would be the Portuguese spelling of *micropatriology*. And, indeed, it is.⁶²

According to micropatriologist Pedro Aguiar, writing in his online encyclopaedia Wikimicropédia—note that Aguiar was also a co-founder of the LAIM—the *i* was added in order to avoid confusing *patria* with *patro*.⁶³ Specifically, the Wikimicropédia entry for *micropatriology*, written by Aguiar,⁶⁴ states that it is "sometimes"⁶⁵ misspelled as *micropatrology* and notes that this is incorrect because "the Latin root *patro-* refers to "father", not "fatherland" [both extracts translated from Portuguese]".⁶⁶

⁵⁹ Aguiar, Pedro; Oliveira, Filipe et al. *As Convenções Do Ilam* [The Conventions of the LAIM]. October 1998. Latin American Institute of Micropatriology. (in Portuguese). <https://web.archive.org/web/20230119111125/http://www.novabelmont.com.br/nbinfo/micronacionalismo/ConvILAM.htm>

⁶⁰ Translated by Luís C. F. Fernandes, a native speaker of Brazilian Portuguese.

⁶¹ Villalva, Alina; Gonçalves, Carlos Alexandre. "The Phonology and Morphology of Word Formation". In Costa, João; Menuzzi, Sergio; Wetzels, W. Leo (eds), *The Handbook of Portuguese Linguistics*. 2016. Wiley. p. 180. ISBN: 9781119096764.

⁶² Aguiar 2006.

⁶³ *ibid.*

⁶⁴ *ibid.*

⁶⁵ Translated by Luís C. F. Fernandes. Original excerpt: *Às vezes*

⁶⁶ Translated by Luís C. F. Fernandes. Original excerpt: *o radical patro-, em latim, diz respeito a "pai", não a "pátria"*

In any case, *micropatriologia* was far more common than *micropatrologia*; the latter spelling being deemed rare in 2006 by Brazilian micropatriologist Bruno Cava.⁶⁷ It is practically certain that *micropatriology* (the variant with an *i*) was inherited from, or at least influenced by, the Portuguese *micropatriologia*. *Micropatriology* is first attested in English on 24 April 2001 as an entry in the micronational web dictionary *A glossary of micronational terms*, maintained by the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia, which interestingly recorded only this variant.⁶⁸ Its first attested use that is not a direct mention is on 29 December by American micropatriologist Steven F. Scharff, who used this variant on the Usenet newsgroup (now part of Google Groups) alt.politics.micronations.⁶⁹

Although the *Micronational Dictionary*'s corpus for this period is relatively small, *micropatriology* may very well have been the most common spelling from this point onwards; the Micropatriology Research Center's *Dictionary for Micronationalism*, a downloadable computer software released on 1 November 2002, also listed only this variant.⁷⁰ In m-corpus—the name of our micronational textual corpus—there are nine attested uses of *micropatriology* by micronationalists in 2009, and only one for *micropatrologia*.

Curiously, however, many macronational sources between 2009 and the mid-2010s preferred the *micropatrologia* variant instead, likely influenced by the name of the IMS.⁷¹ Despite this, *micropatriology* appears to be gaining momentum as the standard spelling in macronational academia; in 2021, this was the variant used by Australian legal academics Harry Hobbs and George Williams in their 2021 *Micronations and the Search for Sovereignty*,⁷² the most definitive published work on micronationalism in English since at least Lonely Planet's 2006 *Micronations: The Lonely Planet Guide to Home-Made Nations*.

⁶⁷ Cava, Bruno. *Micronacionalismo: Lato Sensu* [Micronationalism: In the Broadest Sense]. 2006. Teobaldo Sales Foundation. p. 5. (in Portuguese). <http://arquivo.micronacao.com.br/micropatriologia/2008/04/cava-bruno-micronacionalismo-lato-sensu.pdf>

⁶⁸ Rasmussen, Peter Ravn et al. Entry for "micropatriology". *A glossary of micronational terms*. 24 April 2001. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia. Official website of Corvinia. <https://web.archive.org/web/20010725121604/http://www.corvinia.org/minfor/micglossary.html>

⁶⁹ unidyne [Scharff, Steven F.]. "New Years Greetings". 29 December 2001. User post. alt.politics.micronations. Google Groups. https://web.archive.org/web/20220908215954/https://groups.google.com/g/alt.politics.micronations/c/ZBihXSScs_M/m/cM297xPay1wJ

⁷⁰ Foong, Steven C. F. & Alexander, Scott. *Dictionary for Micronationalism*. 1 November 2002. Micropatriology Research Center. Cited in Rahikkala, Ari. "Re: MRC's Dictionary for Micronationalism 1.0 Beta". 24 November 2002. User post. *Talk Micronations*. Micronations.net. <https://web.archive.org/web/20030717124806/http://pub114.ezboard.com:80/fmicronationalnewsnetwork48264frm3.showMessage?topicID=81.topic#>

⁷¹ See, for instance, Ferguson, Bennie Lee. *What is a Nation: The Micronationalist Challenge to Traditional Concepts of the Nation-state*. 2009. Thesis. Wichita State University. p. 37; Moreau 2014; and Ištók, Robert; Nováková, Štefánia. *Micronationalism as a phenomenon of the present*. 2014. *Folia Geographica*. Vol. 56, no. 1, p. 46.

⁷² Hobbs, Harry & Williams, George. *Micronations and the Search for Sovereignty*. 2021. Cambridge University Press. p. 74. ISBN: 9781009150132.

On an unrelated yet quite intriguing note, the spelling *micropatriology* actually first appears as a typographical error on 18 July 1977 in volume 10, issue 29 of the magazine *New York*.⁷³ This was evidently a misspelling because it was the variant used in the name for the IMS—they spelled it *International Micropatriological Society*—which should remain the same regardless of what variant the writer uses. Indeed, quite an interesting, albeit ultimately irrelevant, coincidence.

⁷³ *New York*. 18 July 1977.

Special chapter: On the history of micronational dictionaries

There were four dictionaries of micronational parlance that predated Zabëlle Skye's (this) *Micronational Dictionary*.

The earliest dictionary of micronational slang that the author of this dictionary has been able to locate is a single-webpage listing of terminology entitled *A glossary of micronational terms*.⁷⁴ Launched before 20 April 2001⁷⁵ and receiving its final update on 20 May 2003,⁷⁶ the webpage was hosted as a subdomain of the official website of the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia. It was a historical dictionary—meaning that it included the etymologies of the words it listed—and had 52 entries in total.⁷⁷ The top of the website said that the dictionary was "an informational document of"⁷⁸ the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, an office held at the time by one Graham John Francis de Sales Wheeler.⁷⁹

Many entries were without any additional information beyond just a listing, some lacking even a definition. The top of the website permanently stated "This is a work in progress – many of the terms listed have not yet been fleshed out with detailed text."⁸⁰ The webpage was listed in the website directory of micronations.net—the most-visited intermicronational-themed website between 2002 and mid-2008—since as early as 30 July 2002, under the section entitled Reference.⁸¹ The dictionary had been in development "in a desultory [casual] fashion"⁸² since January 2001 by Peter Ravn Rasmussen, Prince of the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia.

⁷⁴ *A glossary of micronational terms*. c.20 April 2001–20 May 2003. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia. Official website of Corvinia. Archived snapshots on the Internet Archive. https://web.archive.org/web/20240000000000*/http://www.corvinia.org/minfor/micglossary.html

⁷⁵ Peter I Ravn [Rasmussen, Peter Ravn]. "Re: Micronational How-To". 20 April 2001. User post. micro-nations.org. <https://web.archive.org/web/20010424031230/http://www.micro-nations.org/forums/viewtopic.php3?TopicID=263>

⁷⁶ *A glossary of micronational terms*. 20 May 2003. Archived snapshot on the Internet Archive. <https://web.archive.org/web/20031009101408/http://www.corvinia.org/minfor/micglossary.html>

⁷⁷ *ibid.*

⁷⁸ *ibid.*

⁷⁹ Rasmussen, Peter Ravn. "Who's Who in the Principality of Corvinia". 26 August 2001. Ministry of Propaganda of the Sovereign Principality of Corvinia. Official website of Corvinia. <https://web.archive.org/web/20040423092052/http://www.corvinia.org/minprop/corvwho.html>

⁸⁰ *A glossary of micronational terms*. c.20 April 2001–20 May 2003.

⁸¹ "Reference". 30 July 2002. micronations.net. Archived snapshot on the Internet Archive. <https://web.archive.org/web/20020805122330/http://micronations.net/>

⁸² Rasmussen. 20 April 2001.

He explained in a micronational forum post on 20 April 2001 that the dictionary's purpose was to educate new micronationalists on the "more confusing terms"⁸³ found within the intermicronational community. In the same post, Rasmussen also noted that the website was presently "somewhat sketchy"⁸⁴ due to the number of unfinished entries, saying that the empty listings were intended solely as placeholders until they could be fully "fleshed out".⁸⁵ Inevitably, upon its final update on 20 May 2003,⁸⁶ many of the dictionary's entries were still empty. It can thus be presumed that the project was abandoned on this date. The website remained online until sometime between 18 January⁸⁷ and 20 February 2007,⁸⁸ as indicated by the Wayback Machine on the Internet Archive.

The second dictionary of micronational slang was the *Dictionary for Micronationalism*, a free downloadable computer software,⁸⁹ publicly released on 1 November 2002.⁹⁰ It was developed by the Micropatriology Research Center (MRC), a micronational think tank and research institute,⁹¹ and had 34 entries as of 24 November.⁹² Due to the format in which the dictionary was published, no direct archives of the work itself are known to exist.⁹³ Its entries included political terms not strictly related to micronationalism (as did Corvinia's dictionary) such as *citizen*, *communism*, *constitutional monarchy* and [diplomatic] *recognition*.⁹⁴

⁸³ *ibid.*

⁸⁴ *ibid.*

⁸⁵ *ibid.*

⁸⁶ *A glossary of micronational terms*. 20 May 2003.

⁸⁷ *A glossary of micronational terms*. 18 January 2007. Archived snapshot on the Internet Archive. <https://web.archive.org/web/20070118215543/http://www.corvinia.org/minfor/micglossary.html>

⁸⁸ *A glossary of micronational terms*. 20 February 2007. Offline. Archived snapshot on the Internet Archive. <https://web.archive.org/web/20070220181711/http://www.corvinia.org/minfor/micglossary.html>

⁸⁹ "Dictionary for Micronationalism". n.d. Micropatriology Research Center. <https://web.archive.org/web/20021125132233/http://micropatriology.port5.com/current/mrcdict.html>

⁹⁰ SteveFoong [Foong, Steve C. F.]. "MRC's Dictionary for Micronationalism 1.0 Beta". 1 November 2002a. User post. *Talk Micronations*. micronations.net. <https://web.archive.org/web/20030717124806/http://pub114.ezboard.com:80/fmicronationalnewsnetwork48264frm3.showMessage?topicID=81.topic>

⁹¹ "About MRC". n.d. Micropatriology Research Center. <https://web.archive.org/web/20021212042248/http://micropatriology.port5.com/about.html>

⁹² Rahikkala, Ari. "Re: MRC's Dictionary for Micronationalism 1.0 Beta". 24 November 2002. User post. *Talk Micronations*. micronations.net. <https://web.archive.org/web/20030717124806/http://pub114.ezboard.com:80/fmicronationalnewsnetwork48264frm3.showMessage?topicID=81.topic>

⁹³ All known download links are no longer operational.

⁹⁴ Rahikkala, Ari. 24 November 2002.

The software for the dictionary could be downloaded from the MRC's website,⁹⁵ but was only compatible with Windows and required Windows 98 or higher to run smoothly.⁹⁶ Furthermore, the software would have to be redownloaded anytime an update was released.⁹⁷ Per a description on the work's website, it can be presumed that the dictionary displayed only definitions.⁹⁸

The *Dictionary for Micronationalism* is known to have been in development since as early as 22 October.⁹⁹ The project was overseen by Steven C. F. Foong, the research coordinator of the MRC,¹⁰⁰ and received contributions from at least one other person—Scott Alexander, an employee of the MRC.¹⁰¹ The definitions of its entries were defined based on a criteria concerning a word's historical usage, its origin, "natural meaning"¹⁰² and contemporaneous use.¹⁰³

The software's beta launch was announced on the *Talk Micronations* forum hosted on the micronations.net website on 1 November by Foong. He said that the dictionary was presently "pretty thin" but should be an adequate starting point for future developments and sought user feedback.¹⁰⁴ He made two corrections¹⁰⁵ that same day after receiving critical e-mails from readers of the dictionary.¹⁰⁶ It was probably abandoned after receiving only that single update; the website for the *Dictionary for Micronationalism* was not updated after 1 November 2002, and remained unchanged until as late as 22 July 2004 according to a snapshot of it on the Internet Archive.¹⁰⁷

⁹⁵ "Dictionary for Micronationalism". n.d.

⁹⁶ SteveFoong [Foong, Steve C. F.]. "Re: MRC's Dictionary for Micronationalism 1.0 Beta". 1 November 2002b. User post. *Talk Micronations*. micronations.net. <https://web.archive.org/web/20030717124806/http://pub114.ezboard.com:80/fmicronationalnewsnetwork48264frm3.showMessage?topicID=81.topic>

⁹⁷ "Dictionary for Micronationalism". n.d.

⁹⁸ *ibid.* Note: "The public is welcome to comment on the dictionary - it's entries, definitions, as well as reporting bugs in or other suggestions to the dictionary computer program" — there is no mention of any other information such as etymology, pronunciation, usage notes or comparisons etc.

⁹⁹ Alexander, Scott; Foong, Steven C. F. "Categorisation of Apollo Sector and Other Related Issues". 22 October 2002. Micropatriology Research Center. <https://web.archive.org/web/20021212074959/http://micropatriology.port5.com/archive/fs221002a.html>

¹⁰⁰ "About MRC". n.d.

¹⁰¹ Alexander, Scott; Foong, Steven C. F. 22 October 2002.

¹⁰² "Dictionary for Micronationalism". n.d.

¹⁰³ *ibid.*

¹⁰⁴ Foong, Steven C. F. 1 November 2002a.

¹⁰⁵ "Dictionary for Micronationalism". n.d.

¹⁰⁶ SteveFoong [Foong, Steve C. F.]. "Re: MRC's Dictionary for Micronationalism 1.0 Beta". 1 November 2002c. User post. *Talk Micronations*. micronations.net. <https://web.archive.org/web/20030717124806/http://pub114.ezboard.com:80/fmicronationalnewsnetwork48264frm3.showMessage?topicID=81.topic>

¹⁰⁷ "Dictionary for Micronationalism". 22 July 2004. Archived snapshot on the Internet Archive. <https://web.archive.org/web/20040722053059/http://micropatriology.port5.com/current/mrcdict.html>

It took until 30 November 2009 for the third-known micronational dictionary to be launched—a website appropriately called *The Micronational Dictionary*.¹⁰⁸ A project of the Organisation of Active Micronations (OAM),¹⁰⁹ an intermicronational organisation that was then-prominent in the MicroWiki sector, it was initiated by the OAM's Secretary-General, Gordon Freeman.¹¹⁰ It reached at least 20 entries, with the last known addition being on 10 June 2011.¹¹¹

The dictionary had an inclusive entry criteria that aimed to compile and document "all terms used by micronations and micronationalists in the one easily accessible place".¹¹² Just like the previous two dictionaries, the OAM's *Micronational Dictionary* also included a number of political entries not strictly related to micronationalism—these were *bilateral*, *multilateral*, *sovereignty* and *state*.¹¹³

Only the representatives of member states of the OAM were allowed to submit new entries;¹¹⁴ however, it was inevitably Freeman who had submitted every entry according to the last known snapshot of the dictionary on the Internet Archive.¹¹⁵ The OAM dissolved on 29 December 2011, so it is likely that the dictionary was abandoned before, or on, this date. It is not known how many—if any—additional entries were added after 10 June 2011, the latest available archive for the dictionary.¹¹⁶

The fourth dictionary of micronational parlance was Zabëlle Skye (my) and Karl "Luxor" Friedrich's MicroWikiDictionary,¹¹⁷ which I discuss in detail in the preface.

¹⁰⁸ *The Micronational Dictionary*. 30 November 2009–c.10 June 2011. Organisation of Active Micronations. <https://web.archive.org/web/20110814151250/http://dictionary.oamicro.org/publ>

¹⁰⁹ "Home". n.d. *The Micronational Dictionary*. Organisation of Active Micronations. <https://web.archive.org/web/20110814150606/http://dictionary.oamicro.org/>

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From the bottom of my heart, I thank you, dear reader, for undertaking the feat of witnessing this personal magnum opus of mine. This passion project is the culmination of many countless hours of research, writing, proofreading, copyediting, and researching once again—ever-searching for new information previously unbeknownst to us micropatriologists. As you perused these pages, I hope that you found many of these entries useful. As stated (albeit much more professionally) above in the preface and introduction, each entry is carefully crafted and meticulously designed to give the most accurate information possible. Regardless of the lack of enthusiasm that this work might receive—I presume there will be little to none, for as I am writing this, this fifth edition of the dictionary is, of course, not out yet—it is nevertheless a testament to the entire micronational community. The fact that when the macroworld said "one cannot simply create their own country," and these micronations replied, "hold my flag," and somehow mustered an active online community with conventions of over 100 attendees and over 560 of their own unique words that are almost entirely incomprehensible to non-micronationalists, is astounding. Though this dictionary is another in the grand tradition of dictionaries that no one has asked for, it is bound to be of historical importance to the art form (dare I say) of micronationalism, and I truly hope that at least one reader will be intrigued. If you were that reader—I thank you.

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